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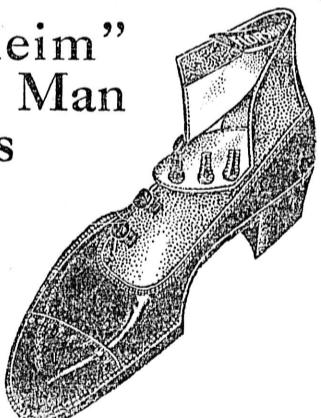
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ESTIMATES FOR ARMY AND NAVY

British Military Expense to Be Decreased by Small Amount

NAVY SLIGHTLY INCREASED

Direct Assertion Made That Navy Standard Must Be Kept Up

London, Feb. 24.—The army estimates for 1908-09 have been issued. The gross total is \$154,195,120, as against \$155,211,830 for 1907-8. The war secretary, Mr. Haldane, estimates for a total of 185,000 men in the home and colonial establishments, irrespective of India. This is a decrease of 5,000 men from last year.

The navy estimates for 1908-09 were issued this evening. They amount to \$16,597,500, as against \$157,087,500 for 1907-8.

The agitation for economy has had some effect on the shipbuilding programme, which contemplates only one improved warship of the Dreadnaught type, instead of the three expected. The government proposes to build one large armoured cruiser, six fast protected cruisers, sixteen torpedo boat destroyers and some submarines. The number of the last mentioned vessels is not given, but the year estimated to cost \$2,500,000.

In an explanatory statement Lord Tweedmouth, the First Lord of the Admiralty, points out that an increased expenditure is inevitable, but by the strictest economy he was able to confine it to \$4,000,000.

On April 1 next the British navy will have under construction seven battleships, four armoured cruisers, one unarmored cruiser, ten torpedo boat destroyers, twenty torpedo boats and eight submarines.

Lord Tweedmouth shows how a gradual and continuous diminution in the armament required for the construction which was initiated in 1895, when it reached the maximum of \$75,000,000, was still possible, the amount being \$37,725,000 as compared with \$40,000,000 last year. He announced the definite intention to proceed with the construction of a naval base at Rosyth, Scotland, which in addition to having a basin capable of accommodating 22 warships, will include a depot for submarines and destroyers. The whole work, it is estimated, will occupy a decade in building and will cost \$16,250,000.

Among the inevitable increases in expenditure, such as the increased cost of coal and provisions and the higher pay of the men, he mentioned the Cunard subsidy, for the Lusitania and Mauretania, which now stands at the full amount of \$75,000.

The naval estimates provide for exactly the same number of officers and men as last year.

The estimates for the British defense forces for the current year which were issued today, will disappoint the peace party, as instead, as they have hoped, of showing a reduction, the combined estimates of the navy show an increase of \$3,000,000 without apparently any hope of any considerable diminution in the future.

Lord Tweedmouth, first lord of the admiralty, explains outright that the future programme of Great Britain will depend on whether foreign powers increase their naval forces, since the government has every intention of maintaining the standard of the British navy which hitherto has been deemed necessary.

The war secretary, Mr. Haldane, in a

similar statement regarding the army says: "Looking to the future, I am convinced that it is impossible to make further diminutions in the army expenditures on a considerable scale, unless we first of all reduce the number of troops serving abroad."

"Garrisons abroad," he adds, "will be reduced whenever that can be safely done, but if reductions in the regular army are carried too far a demand will ultimately have to be made on the citizens' forces such as hitherto has never been contemplated."

CALLING IN FUNDS

Secretary Cortelyou Calls on Banks to Pay Back More of Public Money

Washington, Feb. 24.—The secretary of the United States treasury today announced a call upon national banks for approximately 25 per cent. of the public funds now held in active depositaries having on deposit such funds in the sum of \$106,000 or more, where such withdrawal can be made without inconveniences to the treasury department in the transaction of public business. Under the call approximately \$35,000,000 will be returned to the treasury department. Payments under this call will be made as follows: Ten per cent. of the amount called on or before March 9 and the remaining 15 per cent. on or before March 23.

Secretary Cortelyou stated that advices from all portions of the country are to the effect that this proportion of the government funds now on deposit with the national banks can be withdrawn without detriment to financial conditions in any section.

MEN OF BATTLESHIPS WATCHED BULLFIGHT

Were Edified by Seeing Animals Injure Two Matadors

Lima, Peru, Feb. 24.—Ten thousand spectators, more than half of whom were officers and men of the American fleet, witnessed a thrilling bull fight here this afternoon. President Prado and his staff occupied the royal box, and the adjoining boxes were filled with the higher officers of the visiting warships. Society, too, was prominently represented, and the spectacle from start to finish was not soon to be forgotten, especially by those who had never watched such a scene before.

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JOHN OLIVER UPON BUDGET

Member for Delta Continued
the Debate—His Criticism
of Minister's Statement

A TRIBUTE TO MR. NADEN

J. H. Hawthornthwaite Introduces Bill Amending Settlers' Rights Act

The debate upon the budget was resumed at the sitting of the legislature yesterday by John Oliver. The member for Delta devoted a full quarter of the time which he utilized to an attack upon the attorney-general. He took exception to that gentleman's remarks at Vancouver on the preceding Saturday evening, and he waxed very indignant over his pleading in a private case while the house was in session and while he was enjoying a stipend from the province.

He took exception to the means by which, he claimed, the surplus for the last fiscal year had been rolled up. He said that it was by the alienation to speculators of the crown lands, the timber lands and the resources of British Columbia generally.

If Mr. Oliver had waxed warm when he denounced the lack of modesty of the attorney-general, his tone took on a pathetic note when he referred to the shortcomings of the government with regard to the votes for constituencies. The average vote to those which were represented by Liberals in the house amounted to but \$8,000, he said, while that to Conservative ridings was far more. Delta had a vote of but \$1,100. When the Hon. Richard McBride interpolated a remark about a bridge (New Westminster bridge) which had been built across the Fraser for the benefit of the constituency of Delta, and which had cost \$1,000,000, Mr. Oliver's laugh was almost sardonic, and he perpetrated what was almost a pun. "Yes," he said, and if you cross that bridge with a sucking pig, you have to pay a toll upon it. I call that extreme picayunish."

Mr. Oliver's criticism throughout was along very much the same line. He continually acclaimed the hon. minister of finance as the ablest of the Lieutenant-governor's advisers. He averred that in that gentleman's word the opposition had confidence.

A pleasing incident marked the sitting and proved that for once virtue is not alone its own reward. As the hon. member for Greenwood, G. R. Naden, was writing quietly at his desk and the legislature rapidly committed various bills, the sergeant-at-arms entered bearing a vase containing some beautiful carnations. These he proceeded to deposit upon the desk of that hon. gentleman. For an instant the significance of the act was a mystery, but as the memory of Mr. Naden's splitted battle in the cause of female suffrage dawned again in the minds of the members, the incident was hailed with cheers and handclapping from the ranks of both government and opposition, a tribute which the member for Greenwood bore blushingly.

When Mr. Hawthornthwaite yesterday learned that the government did not intend to bring in a bill extending the terms of the Vancouver Island Settlers' Rights act he introduced a bill to that effect. It provides that the time in which application may be made for permission to benefit under the terms of the act be extended from December, 1904, to December 31, 1909.

The premier's motion providing for night sittings from now until the close of the session was formally passed. A session last evening was contemplated, but was later withdrawn and the house adjourned until noon at 2 o'clock. It is altogether likely that there will be an evening session today.

The Speaker took the chair at 2.30 o'clock.

Prayers by Rev. Robert Connell.

No Legislation This Session

In answer to a question of Mr. Hawthornthwaite, Hon. Mr. McBride said: I take this opportunity for explaining to the house that it is not the intention of the government to bring down any legislation during the present session in regard to the Vancouver Island settlers rights, which means that the government does not intend to make any provision going beyond the terms which have already been agreed upon by this parliament. I may further state for the information of my hon. friend that this matter was only decided upon two or three days ago. This is the first opportunity that I have since had for making this communication to the house.

Night Sessions Start

On motion of Hon. Mr. McBride night sessions begin at 8 p.m., and to count as distinct sittings were ordered for the balance of the session.

Order of the House

Mr. Yorston (Cariboo) moved that an order of this house be granted for a return of all correspondence, tenders or other documents of any kind in connection with the construction or operation of the ferry across the Fraser River at Quesnel.

He complained that, whereas, \$2,400 had been voted last session for a ferry at this point, some \$4,800 had been expended by the government on the work, although a tender for \$1,800 accompanied by a certified cheque for \$600 had been forwarded to the government by a responsible party prior to the beginning of operations under the direct control of government officials.

The order was granted.

John Oliver on Budget

In resuming the debate on the motion that the Speaker do now leave the chair for the purpose of going into committee of supply.

Mr. Oliver congratulated the finance minister upon the clearance and lucidity of the financial statement which he had made to the house on Thursday last. (Applause.)

Its clearness had only been equalled by his modesty, a quality in which both his colleagues on the government side would do well to imitate him. He dwelt at some length upon the attorney-general's speech at Vancouver and in proceeding offered the attorney-general some advice—that he should stick more closely to the facts and to be less assertive. For while at Vancouver he had promised that the 200 Hindus on the Montague would be excluded, he had previously

promised the legislature and his constituents in Vancouver that with the enactment of his Natal measure not a single Japanese would be allowed to land. This promise he had never carried out and his action in striking out subsection F in the bill had shown that he had no intention of keeping them out. By that action he had invited disallowance on the part of the federal government.

The attorney-general had stated in Vancouver Saturday evening that it was not the Japanese themselves who were seeking their liberty and endeavoring to set at naught the measures recently enacted, but it was the agents of the Dominion government. Yet in Victoria the twenty-three Japanese had been detained, not by the provincial officers but by the Dominion officers.

Hon. W. J. Bowser: These Japanese were arrested at the Japanese board-houses by the provincial officers.

Mr. Oliver asserted that those who were detained were held by the Dominion officers, according to the reports in the newspapers.

Hon. Mr. Bowser: I do not take the reports of the newspapers for the actions of my officers.

Not Playing Fair

Mr. Oliver, in continuing, asserted that the attorney-general was not playing fair with the province. He took its pay and then utilized the time he should have given to its service, for his private practice.

Perhaps it was modesty on the part of Hon. Mr. Bowser which had caused him to entrust the case for the province in the appeal then in course of hearing by the full court to Mr. Cassidy, of Vancouver. He had found time the week previous to leave the province and appear in a case in which he was junior counsel.

Hon. Mr. McBride: I think that my hon. friend might be fair enough to explain that my colleague was connected with this litigation long before he became a member of the administration. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Oliver asked how the members of the legislature were to know this and the premier told him to look at the court records.

Congratulates Minister.

Turning his attention to the matter in hand, the member for Delta congratulated the finance minister upon having been able to redeem \$876,000 of the bonds at par. He pointed out that the opposition had warned the government at the time the \$1,000,000 loan was made against borrowing so large a sum and for so long a period as ten years. It was a time of depression, and it would have been possible to have made a smaller loan for a shorter period to tide them over until the depression was past.

In any event, nearly \$400,000 more money was borrowed than was necessary, as the public accounts showed.

Hon. Mr. Tatlow: This statement has been made a great many times and I wish to settle it once and for all. The million dollar loan was received and placed to the credit of the province March 1, 1904 and on February 23, the day previous, we had overdrafts on current account of \$663,000, including an overdraft of \$411,000 at the Bank of British Columbia, while we owned the estates and suitors fund trust account \$151,000, making in all nearly \$850,000, respecting which we were absolutely behind and leaving us only \$150,000 to carry on the business of the country from March 1. (Hear, hear.)

In any event, Mr. Oliver stated, the liabilities were but \$14,187, while the amount borrowed was \$1,000,000, and in the June following there was to the credit of current account \$513,000.

Hon. Mr. Tatlow: Yes. The taxes had come in.

Mr. Oliver asserted that the finance minister's inclusion of the \$150,000 for the suitors' fund in the above explanation was not correct. The province borrowed this \$150,000, which was unnecessary, and paid the Bank of Commerce 3 per cent upon it. The province was paying that 3 per cent to this very day.

Hon. Mr. Tatlow: Yes, we pay 3 per cent for it and we place it in the Canadian Bank of Commerce and we get 3 per cent interest from them on it. (Applause.)

Mr. Oliver expressed the fear that the finance minister had sat so long next to the first minister that he was acquiring the "quibbling" habit. They were still receiving money and paying it out in connection with this account.

Hon. Mr. Tatlow: We had to replace that money because it was a trust fund and we were liable to be called upon for it at any time.

Entitled to Credit.

In continuing, Mr. Oliver stated that he believed the hon. finance minister was entitled to credit for the reduction of the public debt. He wished to direct the attention of the house to the cost at which this had been done. It had been by the alienation of large tracts of crown land, timber and other resources, and these had passed into the hands of speculators largely.

One of the strongest arguments of the hon. premier at Ottawa for better terms had been that the resources and revenues of the province were not sufficient to meet the requirements. The statements of the finance minister in this regard had gone far to show that this argument was incorrectly based if the conditions which had prevailed for the last year or so were normal. But they were not normal. He would show that by the alienation of the timber wealth of the province and by the sale of crown lands, an abnormal double as much, but indirectly they also obtained a much greater proportion of the public money than the former.

Hon. Mr. McBride—The estimates are prepared in accordance with the requirements of the different constituencies. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Oliver remarked—that only \$1,100 was voted for his own constituency.

Hon. Mr. McBride—You are forgetting the million dollar bridge which you got a few years ago.

"Picayunish" Policy

Mr. Oliver—And we have to pay toll everytime we cross it. (Some laughter.)

Hon. Mr. McBride—And the hon. gentleman was a party to the arrangements, which provided for these tolls. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Oliver—But it was not the intention when we made those arrangements that they should remain in for all eternity. (Great laughter.) Why, if a farmer only takes a sucking pig across it, he must pay toll, and this, Mr. Speaker, is a picayunish policy. (A voice, "Perhaps he means a pig-ayunish policy.") As his constituency was being punished to the extent of thousands of dollars, owing to the fact that it was represented by a member of the opposition, he was seriously considering the propriety of sending in his resignation, on the ground that his services were not worth so great a sacrifice. (Hear, hear.)

The royalties for the last year had amounted to \$255,094, an increase of 30 per cent over that of the year previous.

He would show that this timber was passing into the hands of speculators. The above figures proved this.

There had been an increase of 30 per cent in the amount of the royalties on the timber manufactured while in the increase in the amount of timber licensed was 420 per cent as compared with this 30 per cent. This meant that the timber was being licensed 14 times as fast as it was being manufactured.

Hence the revenue was clearly an abnormal revenue. Since the close of the last fiscal year the cut of timber had decreased materially. The revenue from royalties had fallen away during the first six months of the present financial year to \$106,000. The finance minister had practically admitted this since the estimates for the nine months of the next fiscal year he estimated the revenue from royalties at but \$150,000, something in dollars and cents.

Hon. Mr. McBride—But we cut our majority in two. (Hear, hear, and applause.)

Mr. Oliver—Yes, you did; but what did it cost you?

Hon. Mr. McBride—Well, it cost me a pretty long trip in the Fraser valley, but I could have made another.

Mr. Oliver—But it cost some one something in dollars and cents.

or \$200,000 for 12 months, a falling off of 27 per cent.

Government's Policy

He perceived that it was the intention of the government to continue the policy of timber preserves, and he found that the estimated receipts from license fees during the next financial year was fixed at \$90,000; while no less than 7,714,000 acres of timber lands were reported to be at the present time under license, although the government's timber policy had only been in existence for a little over two years, and it was quite evident to him that the government, alarmed at the results which had so closely followed upon the adoption of their own much-vaunted policy, had been absolutely forced to make these timber preserves. He was, however, quite convinced that the present depression, and particularly as concerned the lumber interests, was merely temporary.

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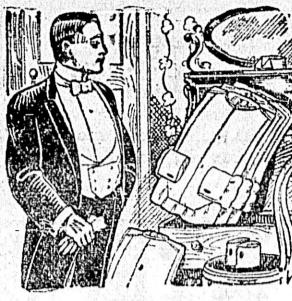
Hon. Mr. Bowser: I do not take the reports of the newspapers for the actions of my officers.

Mr. Oliver: I can cite numerous reasons, and would do so now if time permitted. (Hear, hear.) The advertisements connected with the staking of timber limits and applications for licenses to cut timber, be continued, had filled not merely column after column, but sheet after sheet, of the newspapers which supported this government.

Hon. Mr. McBride: But these were not government advertisements!

Mr. Oliver: I did not say that they were government advertisements.

Hon. Mr. McBride: All this



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WILL ASSESS FOR THE COST OF BOULEVARDS

Council Will Collect From Property Owners on Dec. 1, Each Year

The question of the assessment of property owners who are benefited by the laying of boulevards along the thoroughfares in front of their premises came before the city council last night, being introduced by Ald. Henderson: "That the recommendation of the parks' board to assess, levy and collect for the cost and maintenance of boulevards be adopted, and that a separate account be kept of all monies expended on upkeep of boulevards during the year commencing January 1, 1908, up to and inclusive of December 31, 1908, and that such expenditure be then assessed and a by-law passed levying and collecting the same from the owners liable, and that the council do set aside an appropriate sufficient sum to meet this expenditure."

Ald. Henderson stated that in his opinion it would be better to go ahead with the work, and on a certain date, December 1, in each year, when the exact cost of laying the boulevards and maintaining them were known, the assessment by-law could be passed.

Recommended that a sewer be constructed on Dalton street, Victoria West, at an estimated cost of \$250, also that a surface pipe drain be laid on Fort street between Verinder avenue and Oak Bay avenue, estimated cost \$150.

Recommended that two concrete mixers be purchased.

Recommended that the offer of the Victoria Terminal Railway & Ferry Company to supply the city with beach gravel, at the rate of \$15 per car of 16 yards, delivered on the company's tracks in the city, be accepted, subject to an agreement being entered into by the company with the city, in accordance with the above terms.

Recommended that a plain sidewalk be laid down on Stanley avenue, between Vining street and Gladstone avenue, at an estimated cost of \$48.

Must Connect With Sewer

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Did Not Know Cost

Ald. Mable asked if the people to be charged with the boulevards knew what it was going to cost them, and Ald. Henderson stated that it has been estimated that that cost would be about seven cents per foot front. The city has power to make the assessment.

Ald. Cameron thought December 1 as the date of assessment was too late in the year, as little of the money would be collected before the end of the year.

Ald. McKeown remarked that there had been several complaints made about the character of the shrubs being planted upon the boulevards.

Several property owners on South Turner street had so complained to him, and also of the manner in which some of the boulevarding had been done.

Ald. Norman felt that what with the taxes "outside the fence and those within" there was urgent need of some limit being placed to the taxation. He felt that the city was going too far in the local improvement idea, and if owners should have their taxes increased at the present rate it would result in people contenting themselves with less frontage to escape taxes, and thus allow the city to lose its reputation of being a city of splendid homes and large grounds.

Defends Plan

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City Can Nominate

JAMES WILSON. Humboldt Street Improvement.

Building Inspector Northcott reported that the probable cost of moving back the buildings on Humboldt street, where it is proposed to widen that thoroughfare, and for compensation to the owner, will be \$291, exclusive of the charge of the house-mover. A tender by O. Johnson for moving the building at a cost of \$75 was referred to the building inspector for report. In connection with this matter, A. O. Roy, who has on this and several previous occasions, been asked by the city to supply estimates for moving buildings, wrote stating that he had put in an estimate for the work on the Humboldt street buildings, and afterwards had been surprised to see that the city was calling for tenders for the work when he considered that he should have been given the work. In other cases, too, he had prepared estimates at a great deal of trouble, and had got nothing for his work. He gave a list of cases where he had been asked to make estimates which totalled \$2,045, on which amount he considered he was entitled to a commission of 5 per cent for the trouble he had been put in furnishing the city with the figures. He put in his bill for \$102, which amount Ald. Hall considered should be paid to Mr. Roy. The matter was referred to the city engineer for report.

A petition signed by James Haste and a number of other property owners in the neighborhood protested against the erection on Flisgward of a factory, a permit for the erection of which has already been granted to James Warner by the building inspector. The petitioners claim that such a building would be a nuisance. The matter was referred to the building inspector for report.

Plans of a wharf which Clinton Scott Whiting intends erecting between the C. P. R. and Raymond wharves, were referred to the streets, bridges and sewers committee.

R. E. Hodgson, on behalf of the Victoria City Kennel club, which will hold an exhibition on April 1, 2, 3 and 4, asked that the city increase the annual grant to the club to \$100. The request was referred to the finance committee.

Keep After the Rats.

JAMES THOMPSON wrote calling attention to the prevalence of bubonic plague at San Francisco and Seattle, and suggesting that the campaign against the rats be kept up and that the police be instructed to inspect the back premises of butcher shops and bakers, where, he claimed, the rats can be found in large numbers. The sanitary inspector will be asked to consider Mr. Thompson's communication.

The contract for laundry work for the Old Men's home was awarded to the Victoria Steam laundry, the tender of which was the lowest received.

Mayor Hall reported that the tenders for the supply of creosote had none of them complied with the specifications as to the drums, and it was recommended that new tenders be called for and in the meantime the city purchase enough creosote to keep the plant going.

J. L. Grindon was given the position of auditor, at a salary of \$60 per month. There were nine applicants for the position.

The Wash House by-law introduced by Ald. Gleason was put through its various stages, with but few amendments. The by-law has already been published.

Mayor Hall's suggestion that tenders be called for \$100,000 worth of city debentures, the proceeds to be used for waterworks purposes, was adopted.

Will Pave Thoroughfare

In regard to the agreement between the E. & N. Railway company and the city council providing for the laying of a drain under the company's right of way in Victoria West, the city solicitors wrote that the company had consented to the work being done.

Recommended that the petitioners be informed that the council is willing to lay the sidewalk on Quadra street between Frederic and Mason streets.

Recommended that the petitioners be informed that the matter of an exemption for plumbers as to their fitness to carry on plumbing work in the city is receiving the consideration of the council.

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AN IMPERIAL QUESTION

In adopting the idea that the Imperial government shall be asked to appoint a commission to inquire into the Oriental question as it affects this province, Mr. McBride has taken a step with which the Colonial Office may be very fully in accord. His plan differs from that of Mr. Haworththwaite, because he proposes to proceed through the regular constitutional channel.

The Colonist has on many occasions said that the issues presented by the close contact of the white and Asiatic races are of Imperial gravity. We have not attempted to belittle them in any way, and our criticism of the Exclusion Leagues' methods was based chiefly upon the ground that they only touched the fringe of a great subject, and touched it in a manner calculated to render it more difficult to adjust. Whether a few hundred Japanese more or less come into the Dominion is not very serious. They would soon be lost in the great expansion of the country. A few score of Chinamen may enter the province without disturbing the industrial equilibrium, and the same is true of the Hindus. There are said to be 200 of the latter on their way here on the steamer Montague. They will probably not be allowed to land, but if they were, they would not greatly dislocate the labor market. These things are only incidents in a great movement. These parties are only the skirmishers in front of a great army. We may or may not succeed in keeping them out of British Columbia, but the Asiatics have begun to move, and it is time for the British people to decide what they are going to do about it. If the British Columbia legislature requests Imperial investigation into this momentous question, it may have the credit of taking a lead in a direction which other parts of the Empire will readily follow. We quote the following from an editorial which appeared in the London Times of February 3rd:

Of the great standing difficulty of the Empire we have just had a hint or two in recent affairs. Happily we have for the time smoothed over the Japanese question in Vancouver, and now the British Indian question in the Transvaal. These are only warnings of what is in store. There is nothing enduring in our settlements, and it is as certain as sunrise that sooner or later, and no one can say how soon, we shall have to confront similar difficulties, perhaps in a much more serious form. Is it not time to consider very carefully whether our machinery is the best conceivable for dealing with this world-wide race question? We have seen how the Imperial Cabinet has dealt with the comparatively small trouble in South Africa, and it is certainly not a method that inspires confidence in view of possible and probable eventualities. Surely it is time to establish some body more fully in touch with the various communities and races composing the Empire, which should, at the lowest, provide the detailed knowledge needed to nip trouble in the bud, and, we might hope also, the instructed imagination of which we see so little evidence in official quarters.

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SOME OPEN QUESTIONS

The list of subjects with which Ambassador Bryce has to deal on his present visit to Ottawa is not very serious, if the Free Press of that city is well informed. They embrace:

The control of the waterways dividing Canada from the United States. Transit free of duty of merchandise across portions of American and Canadian territory.

Transit of merchandise without payment of duty until arrival at points in the interior.

The application of the alien labor laws to citizens of the United States and Canada.

Reciprocal mine owning rights.

Conveyance of American prisoners through Canadian territory and vice versa.

Reciprocal salvage and wrecking rights.

The use of logging booms in the St. John river.

The disposition of certain pecuniary claims.

The exemption of Canadians going temporarily to the United States from payment of head tax.

Involved in the first question among other things, is the disposition of Niagara Falls. A law passed in 1906 which had the effect of preserving the Falls from further encroachment in the nature of commercial undertakings but this expires in June, 1909, and it is hoped that before that date arrives the two countries will reach an agreement that can be embodied in a treaty, whereby that great scenic attraction can be protected from complete disfigurement. The second item in the list refers to what is generally known as the bonding privilege, and the third is an amplification of it. There ought not to be much difficulty in coming to an understanding in regard to them. The application of the alien labor laws to the people of both countries is something that calls for a very great deal of consideration. At present the drift of labor is into Canada. There is nothing now to prevent working men from going freely from one country to the other, the provisions of the law only barring employers from making contracts for the importation of labor. As at present advised we are opposed to the idea of relaxing the statutory provisions in this respect. Reciprocity in mine-owning seems to be a reasonable proposal, and so does the conveyance of prisoners through the territory of either country. In regard to reciprocity, salvage and wreckage, we shall make some inquiries before expressing any opinion.

The use of logging booms in the St. John river is a local question arising out of the Ashburton treaty by which the free right of navigation was secured to citizens of the United States in that river. We are not advised as to the nature of the several pecuniary questions which are open. The exemption of Canadians, temporarily entering the United States from the head tax, is in this part of the country already in practice. None of these questions ought to present any great difficulty.

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Lord Esher is understood to enjoy the King's confidence in a high degree, but the fact is worth keeping in mind while perusing the letter.

Mr. J. H. Oldfield wants our streets improved and says if they are we will have an unprecedented rush of tourists. Another Eastern man says that while we have natural attractions without number, we have so few streets in the centre of the city that are not untidy that his wonder is that people are not disgusted by their first sight of them. Really something must be done.

That new fishery protection cruiser for service in British Columbia waters ought to be built either in Victoria or Esquimalt. We believe it will be if all the weight which a community of thirty thousand people are able to exert is directed towards securing it. United action and the ability to "speak up" is a tremendous factor in such matters. How would it do for all who read this paragraph to take just five minutes to write a letter to our representatives at Ottawa, telling them that we want that cruiser built here? In the suggestion too practical?

In his budget speech Hon. Capt. Tatlow coined a phrase which is destined to "stick." Alluding to the future ahead of British Columbia as a fruit-producing country, the finance minister remarked that he anticipated that ultimately the province would be known as "The Orchard of the Empire."

We observe that this happily chosen appellation has attracted the attention of a number of newspapers on the mainland which have reproduced the speech, and all pay due attention to it in writing headlines. And the best of it is that there are excellent reasons for supposing that the day is not far distant when the phrase will apply in strict truthfulness.

The Colonist observes with pleasure that the Conservatives of Esquimalt electoral district have determined to improve their organization, thus falling in line with a movement which embraces the entire province, and which ensures the party presenting a solid front at the approaching federal election. Opinion is unanimous that it was due to faulty organization that the district went to the Liberals at the last provincial elections, and now that a decision has been reached to correct this disability, it may, we think, be assumed with confidence that on the next occasion when the judgment of the electorate is sought, the result will be different. The Premier will address a public meeting at Metchosin on Saturday evening next. All residents of the district who can arrange to do so, should attend.

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At a conference between the city council and the school trustees one day last week, during a debate on the question as to the medical inspection of schools, Trustee Staneland is reported to have said: "Such inspection, to be of any use at all, must be thorough in the case of each pupil, and particularly in regard to the environment of the Chinese pupils." Most of us know what Mr. Staneland had in his mind when he made that remark, and a good many of us know that children going to the public schools don't like to dwell upon it. Home life in Chinatown, whence came the pupils who sit beside white children, is so far beneath our own standard, that grave suspicion is aroused as to whether the health of the school children is not much menaced thereby. We all know that sanitary conditions in Chinatown are bad; we all know that the average Chinese home is not cleanly in the sense that we understand cleanliness; and we have much sympathy for those white people who object to having their children brought into close contact with Chinese boys and girls in the public schools. A rigid medical inspection, such as suggested by Trustee Staneland, may or may not meet the case; but we certainly ought not to shut our eyes to a situation which can hardly be viewed otherwise than as a serious one, imperilling the health of a great number of children attending the public schools of the city.

During the course of a speech at the annual banquet of No. 3 Company, Fifth Regiment, a few days ago, Lt.-Col. Hall, the commanding officer, is reported to have said that "if this country was to be kept British and the flag to wave over this land, it would only be by the men of the country donning the uniform and being ever ready to defend their homes." In so far as this sentiment may be taken as ad-

vise to the young men of Victoria to take a greater interest in the militia, there will be general agreement that it is a timely utterance. It is a somewhat significant sign of the times that, not only in England, but in Australia and other portions of the Empire, serious endeavors are being made to induce an increased number of the people to consent to bear arms and equip themselves by the necessary military training so as to be ready to assist in practical fashion in the defense of their territory. Lord Roberts is taking a very active part in the present agitation in England aiming at increasing the standing army, and turning to Australia we find the people aroused to such an extent that they have determined to take such measures as will ensure, practically, that in case of emergency almost every able-bodied man in the country will be ready to take up arms. Possibly special reasons could be cited to show that Canada ought to be up and doing in the same direction, but the fact that military training is conducive to the physical well-being of young men and in every sense a desirable knowledge to be possessed of, ought to be sufficient of a stimulus to a greater interest in the work of the militia.

Lord Esher and the Imperial Maritime League.

Lord Esher has sent the following letter to Messrs. Wyatt and Horton-Smith, founders of the Imperial Maritime League, in reply to their request that he should join the council of the Imperial Maritime League:

2 Tilney street, Mayfair, W.

Gentlemen—I have received a letter from you marked "private" and dated January 29, 1908, in which you ask me to allow my name to appear as a member of the committee or council of the "Maritime League." To most of the objects of the League no one can take exception, but its immediate aim is a "public inquiry" into the state of the navy. You ask me to join a body of persons, all actuated no doubt by honorable and patriotic motives, who are engaged in promoting a scheme designed to overturn one of the prime minister's principal nominees.

For it is obvious that a public inquiry into the state of the navy such as you desire to form would indicate a want of confidence in the present board of admiralty, which might make the retention of office by the board impossible from the day such an inquiry was granted by the government. When I look at the list of names of those who have joined the council or committee I confess to having been struck by the absence from it of any great naval authority, or indeed of any authority whatever upon questions of naval or Imperial defence. There are living four statesmen who have held the great post of First Lord of the Admiralty. All of them are men actuated by high motives of patriotism and are men of singularly clear judgment. I do not find the honored names of Lord Spencer or Lord Selborne (to whom South Africa means little if the naval supremacy of this country appealed to him to be at stake) or Lord George Hamilton or Lord Cavendish (whose patriotism and business capacity are above all question) upon your list. Again, you refer to Sir F. Richards' opinion, but his name does not appear on the council of the Maritime League. Even if it did, those who remember him as First Sea Lord would be curious to know how he at that time would have received any such proposition as a "public inquiry" into the state of the navy.

I have been, and always shall be, with those who hold that the British Empire floats on the British navy, that Mr. Morley was right when he said at Manchester as long ago as 1892: "Everybody knows, Liberals as well as Tories, that it is indispensable that we should have not only a powerful navy, but I may say, an all-powerful navy"; and that Mr. Stead has hit the sound and true solution of his formula of "two British ships for every German one."

You say "the general position is that by economies introduced for the purpose of saving money for social reforms the efficiency of the navy as a fighting force has been most dangerously reduced." I suppose you honestly think that Sir John Fisher and the Sea Lords have lent themselves to so indefensible an enterprise.

If I could believe this, I should be glad to see Sir John Fisher and his colleagues meet the fate of Admiral Byng.

But I am faced with the recollection that on November 12, 1903, nearly 12 months before Sir John Fisher went to the Admiralty as First Sea Lord, I went as his guest to Government (Admiralty) House at Portsmouth, and that on this occasion he unfolded his plans for increasing the efficiency of the fighting fleet, for a redistribution of the fleet on strategic grounds, for a complete change in the personnel of the navy, based, not upon grounds of economy, but upon efficiency, and generally for a scheme of naval reform, nearly all of which have been carried out under the two boards of admiralty upon which he has served as First Sea Lord.

These statements are not dependent upon memory, but are embodied in a series of memoranda in my possession and printed upon paper bearing the stamp of the Government (Admiralty) House, Portsmouth, and dated September and October, 1903.

The redistribution of the fleets, the reduction of all vessels of no fighting value, the formation of the fleet in Reserve, "nucleus crews," two years' commissions, types of fighting ships, strategic problems, tactical ideas—everything is dealt with and every thing discussed.

But I can discover no reference whatever to "social reforms." Officers who were in the Mediterranean fleet in 1899-1902, and who heard the lectures delivered at Malta during those years by the admiral will bear out the statement that even then all these "new notions" so fatal to the navy and all based upon a desire to serve extraneous political ends were the subject-matter of these discourses.

The board of admiralty may occasionally make mistakes, but that they have by word or act appeared to doubt the vital necessity for naval supremacy, or that they would stoop to subordinate the naval superiority of this country to any personal or political exigency does not require to be proved by a "public inquiry." There is not a man in Germany from the Emperor downwards who would not welcome the fall of Sir John Fisher, and for this reason only, apart from all others, I must beg to decline your invitation to join the council of the Maritime League.

I remain, yours faithfully,

ESHER.

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Spring styles in Lace Curtains are now ready for your inspection on our second floor. Hundreds of pairs in more than a hundred new designs are on show and the showing is a worthy one indeed. You're welcome.

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NOTE AND COMMENT

FORTY YEARS AGO

BRITISH OPINION

Immediately the announcement was made that the Asiatic exclusionists of Vancouver had determined to hold another parade, the Colonist raised its voice in protest against such proceeding, it is very gratifying to observe that our position has been heartily endorsed by the press of Vancouver and those people who have a proper appreciation of the responsibility resting upon them. We find in Saturday Sun, a bright Vancouver weekly, an article which gives one an "inside" view into the workings of the Exclusion League, and as it is of general interest we reproduce it in its entirety. It is signed Bruce:

"There is any possible way of preventing the proposed anti-Asiatic parade to be held on March 7, it should be adopted. It can result in no good and will likely produce trouble. It was because I foresaw that result of the last parade that I withdrew from the chairmanship of the league. Mr. Von Rhein, at that time secretary, asked me to preside at the meeting which he had called and which was to decide on the parade. I asked Mr. Von Rhein why the meeting was being called and he told me for the purpose of organizing a parade. 'Then you can count me out and I resign from the chairmanship,' I replied. I also told him that in my opinion a parade would be certain to result in trouble. Mr. Von Rhein did not put my resignation before the meeting, but a rule was adopted that only those present were eligible for election to office—the permanent officers being elected at that meeting. I was in Toronto on the memorable September 7, but was not at all surprised when I read in the papers on the 8th, of the riots which had taken place as the result of the parade. The last parade was the result of the agitation of Sam Gothard and equally frothy hotheads. The same wild-eyed agitator is behind the movement for the one now proposed. After having been virtually kicked out of the organization, he is now apparently attempting to wreck it by the methods which have made him a familiar and ridiculous figure in this city. The organization of another parade after the experience of the last one is little short of criminal, and it should be prevented if possible. A cause which cannot command the attention of its agitators think it ought to have, without resort to such methods, not much of a cause and should be allowed to die. But Sam Gothard and lightweights of his ilk imagine they are the whole movement, and are forever fussing and fuming, to the disgust of better men who form the vast majority of public opinion on the Asiatic problem in this province. Men of the Gothard stripe with their parades and fanfaronades do infinitely more harm to the cause of exclusion than good, and if there is any sober sense left in the councils of the league, it should be used to shut off the froth and hot air of Gothard and his friends."

A statement appearing in a recent issue of the British Medical Journal is calculated to arouse widespread interest. Commenting on the scientific investigations of Miss Elderton and Professor Pearson on the intensity of resemblance between first cousins in respect to health, intelligence, etc., it says the following conclusions appear to be justified:

A grandparent, uncle, aunt, and cousin appear to be practically on the same footing in regard to relationship or intensity of kinship as measured by degrees of likeness and character. It seems probable, therefore, that any scientific marriage enactments would equally allow or equally forbid the marriage of a grandparent to a grandchild, an uncle to a niece, an aunt to a nephew, and between first cousins.

His many admirers throughout the world will be glad to know that Lord Roberts is writing a book of reminiscences of the South African war. The announcement is conveyed in a special cable dispatch, which says:

London, Feb. 15.—Lord Roberts is utilizing his spare time in the collection of material for another volume of autobiographical nature, designed to be a companion to his account of his forty years in India. The book, of course, will include the period of the South African war, and if "Bobs" publishes in cold print some comments on certain generals who figured in that campaign, which he does not hesitate to express in private, he will cause no end of sensation.

The English General, never suspecting, helped the lady to her horse, and saw her safely out of the camp. She gave the articles to her husband, and he at dead of night buried them in his church. He raised the stones about the pulpit, and beneath them hid the crown and sceptre; the sword he hid beneath the flags underlying a heap of old seats at the opposite end of the church. Two months later the castle was surrendered. The only thing sought was the regalia, and that had gone. Ogilvie and his wife were treated with great severity, but he could truly declare himself innocent, for the secret was his wife's, and she would say nothing. The minister and his wife fell under suspicion, and were closely examined, and even tortured, the records say, but they remained faithful, and no Puritan hand touched the precious jewels.

At last Ogilvie's lady "confessed." She had smuggled the articles away, through the instrumentality of John Keith, second son of the Earl Marischal, she said. He had taken them abroad to the king. She caused this young man to write her from France, telling how he had got the jewels safely abroad and how the king had received them. This stilled the suspicions of the English, but the lady died as the result, it is said, of the persecutions which she endured. John Keith, returning to his native land, bore out the story which she had told, but all the time the regalia was safe in Kincardine parish church, where from time to time it was visited and wrapped in new cloths by the minister and his wife. At the restoration the articles were brought again to light. Keith, who had done nothing but adopt a fictitious story, was rewarded with an earldom, while the valiant Ogilvie who had received the secret when his wife was dying, got only a baronetcy. Keith had a pension of £400 as well as his peerage, he and his mother declaring to the king that they alone were responsible for saving the regalia.

Apropos of the recent agitation in Victoria looking to the enactment of laws providing for the weighing of coal and measurement of wood for purchasers' protection, the following paragraph from the Montreal Gazette will be read with interest:

Toronto has inspectors who weigh the coal delivered to customers by dealers. Last year the inspectors reported that 70 per cent of the loads were correct or above weight, and 30 per cent under weight. While some people failed to get what they had paid for the dealers did not benefit, for the excess weight delivered was 21,463 pounds greater than the aggregate of the number of pounds under weight. The average of the loads under weight was only 39 pounds. Toronto's coal dealers are honest even if their milkmen are aware of the location of the pump.

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The British Colonist, Tuesday, February 25, 1868.

The steam tug Emma has been chartered to tow logs in Burrard Inlet for Moody & Co.

The Marmora has been chartered by J. Robertson Stewart to load with lumber at Stamp's mills, for China.

Towed In.—The brig Robert Cowan was towed to Jarrow, Rhodes & Co's wharf yesterday by the steamer Fly. She will commence to discharge today.

Dramatic.—We understand that the next performance by the Victoria Amateur Dramatic club will take place on 11th of March.

About \$2,000 of the \$2,000 necessary for the purchase of a steam fire engine have been subscribed. The latest contribution received is from the Builders' Fire insurance company of San Francisco, which subscribes through its agent in this city, Mr. Adams, \$100. We hope the response of the property holders to this appeal will be prompt and generous, the object being a laudable and necessary one.

The Zealous yesterday morning steamed outside and anchored in Royal Roads. In the afternoon there was a divisional exercise with great guns firing at a mark. At night the ship's company was called to quarters without powder. This evening the big ship will weigh and proceed under steam, divisional exercise; great guns and small arms firing at a target whilst steaming round it. Tonight, quarters with powder. The evening gun will be fired at the usual hour this evening.

It is asserted that the recent discoveries of gold at Cariboo will cause a rush of men from the lumber yards at Puget Sound, as soon as the season shall have opened. Letters of a highly favorable character have been received there from our mines.

ABOUT PEOPLE

As the commission appointed to inquire into the disappearance of the crown jewels in Ireland has not been able to elucidate the mystery, it looks as if history is about to repeat itself. Very much the same sort of thing happened to the Royal regalia of Scotland, only there it took a centry and a half to get to the bottom of the mystery. How it disappeared from under the noses of Cromwell's forces and was smuggled by a couple of women into safe hiding is a thrilling story; how it was eventually brought to light and secured in Edinburgh Castle is the link connecting the first disappearance with the equally mysterious second. Not, says the London Standard, until 1818—more than a century after previously being seen—was it again exposed to the light of day. Scott believed that it lay lost in Edinburgh Castle, and agitated until he got a Commission of Search appointed. It was "Rob Roy's year," and Croker wrote to him: "Do you think that such a fellow as Rob Roy would have driven cattle while there was such a prize at Edinburgh Castle?" They are driving cattle in Ireland today, while the treasure of Dublin Castle is still to see.

The Scottish crown was naturally precious to the people over the border. They would not let it come to England for the coronation of Charles I. He had to go north to be invested. Twenty-eight years later the rapid advance of the Cromwellian forces rendered it desirable that the regalia, which they greatly wished to seize, should be removed beyond their reach. It was committed to Dunottar Castle, which was gallantly defended by Geo. Ogilvie, of Barras, and his wife. It became evident that the besiegers must in time force a capitulation, so Ogilvie wrote to the king praying him to send a vessel to carry the treasure away. This could not be done. Therefore the brave wife, a daughter of the house of Douglas, hit upon a plan of her own. Her immediate agent was the wife of a minister named James Grainger, of Kincardine, a parish four or five miles from Dunottar Castle. She was permitted by the troops to enter the castle. When she came out she had the crown hidden in her skirts, while her maid carried the sword and sceptre concealed in a bundle of flax which they pretended was for spinning.

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BRITISH OPINION

London Morning Post.—The horror and grief aroused by the Lisbon tragedy have been fittingly expressed by the legislatures of all the great powers, and yesterday an address was unanimously passed by both houses of parliament declaring their abhorrence of the crime and their sympathy with the Royal family and people of Portugal. That the terms of the resolution and the speeches by which it was supported represent the opinions and feelings of all parties and classes of the nation need hardly be said. England has long been linked to Portugal by intimate ties of friendship, and in no country are more earnest and sincere hopes entertained that the Portuguese nation may pass peacefully through its present troubles. The need for drastic reform in the system of government in Portugal was recognized by all impartial witnesses, and Senhor Franco did not attempt to govern without the co-operation of the Cortes till he found that persistent obstruction rendered all progress impossible. His arbitrary system of administration was not an end in itself; it was admittedly regarded as a temporary expedient, and was destined to give way at an early date to constitutional methods. If there was lack of judgment and prudence in the methods used, the object in view was certainly worthy, and conciled in the interests of the nation as a whole.

London Standard.—Although Mr. Walter Long's motion was rejected last night in the house of commons by a majority of 229 votes, Mr. Birrell cannot well pride himself on the course of the debate. It was shown by Sir Edward Carson that the chief secretary had failed to meet the specific charges brought against his administration of Ireland. Mr. Birrell, however, came down with a thumping declaration. Never will he go back on his present faith. That word "never" proved his incapacity as a statesman. He has given pledges no doubt to his colleagues in the cabinet. Perhaps he has also made promises to Mr. Redmond. In spite of his assertions he may even have used language which would be interpreted in the same sense by his friends the Roman Catholic bishop when he had his informal chats with them upon matters of purely academic interest. All this we can understand; these bargains and suggestions are part of the tortuous game to be played by a chief secretary who sets up for conciliating diverse interests in Ireland. But Mr. Birrell appears to have gone a step further. He seems to have made an enduring compact with his own conscience that in no possible condition will he change his mind. Now a politician who commits himself in this irrevocable and quite superfluous manner is not fit to rule Ireland; they do not respect a statesman who has nothing in reserve. It now lies within the power of the Nationalists to drive him out of office, because if only they make things sufficiently uncomfortable he will be bound to retire, since he cannot fight them. What is there to prevent some of Mr. Ginnell's friends from starting the cattle-drive an a grander scale than before? They are simply waiting to see if the government bill for the expropriation of the owners of grazing lands comes up to their expectations. If not, or if parliament does not sanction it, the word may be passed round the south and west, and the old disorder will be revived. As at present the agitators are "giving Mr. Birrell a chance." But what if they discover that he is no longer worth their consideration? Then it will be at their pleasure to drive Mr. Birrell.

London Daily Express.—The debate on Mr. Walter Long's amendment to the address has afforded an instructive revelation of the mind of the present government. The Crimes Act is hateful to Mr. Birrell's principles, and he will not enforce it. It is pitifully childish—this charming literary gentleman cheerfully aiding the enemies of the state. Meanwhile, under the regime of Birrelling the Irish people to use Lord Robert Cecil's admirable phrase—have acquired the habit of disorder. There are hooligans in Ireland, as there are elsewhere. There is indeed a class of irresponsible young men in every country who are always ready for disorderly fun, and cattle-driving makes a pleasant diversion in the dull life of an Irish village. There is doubtless no more real vice in the cattle drivers than in the rowdy young men of the London streets. The difference is that in London such young men are firmly prevented from being a nuisance to their neighbors, while in Ireland their lawlessness is encouraged by the utter ineffectiveness of the responsible power. This of course plays the game of the league. It directs the disorder; the peasant acts as it commands; and while the lives of law-abiding citizens are being made miserable Mr. Birrell stands by smilingly shaking his head at the criminals and pleasantly remarking, "Of course you are rather naughty, but all the same you are amusing amiable fellows, now aren't you?" No wonder that one of the few Nationalists who spoke yesterday—for with the chief secretary as their spokesman the home rulers were almost unnaturally silent—eulogised Mr. Birrell for his strength, courage, and success. We are confident that the "success" will not appeal to the people of Great Britain, and far from hastening the coming of Home Rule, we believe that the present reign of disorder in Ireland will strengthen their determination never to consent to any measure of separation.

London Daily Express.—The steamer Strathpey, which discharged 850 tons of nitrate for the Victoria Chemical works at the outer wharf, proceeded to Tacoma early yesterday morning to unload 1,400 tons of ore from Chilean mines for the Tacoma smelter. She will probably return here to enter the dry dock at Esquimalt to be cleaned and painted.

The steamer Ningehow, of the Blue Funnel line, will reach port today from Seattle, which port she leaves early this morning to discharge 1,100 tons of general cargo from the United Kingdom and far eastern ports. From here the steamer will proceed to Vancouver.

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Edwin Walker, New York.
Claire Givens, New York.
Carolyne Lee, New York.
H. Arnold, Montreal.
Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Davis, Seattle.
H. Dizard, Seattle.
Mrs. Dizard, Seattle.
Jules Dizard, Seattle.
Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Walsh, Winnipeg.
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Spry, Winnipeg.
Violet Grant, Winnipeg.
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Manning, Winnipeg.

W. S. Dwinnett, Minneapolis.
J. G. Billings, Sydney.
N. P. Kelly, Tacoma.
J. B. Fitz Laule, Vancouver.
J. D. G. Thompson, Vancouver.
Mrs. Parker Clark, Westholme.
L. H. Coolidge, Seattle.
C. O. Douglass, Toronto.
W. L. Collins, Quesnel.
J. A. York, Edmonton.
F. Tanaka, Vancouver.
A. R. Baker, Vancouver.
C. F. Nelson, Montreal.
M. M. Corning, Vancouver.
T. Ralphy, Vancouver.
Kondal Hall, St. John, N. B.
Mrs. Hinchliffe, Vancouver.
B. W. Bailey, Vancouver.
J. M. Donovan, Toronto.
H. W. Cowan, Toronto.
A. E. Beiger, Toronto.
M. S. Alexander, Toronto.
B. F. Stidlington, Victoria.
F. G. P. Phipps, Vancouver.
J. A. Harvey, Cranbrook.
W. H. Clements, Grand Forks.
Thos. McKnight, Montreal.
H. C. Martin, Vancouver.

At the Dominion—

Mrs. H. H. Hanworth, Seattle.
J. E. Baillie, Spokane.
Ed Henderson, Eureka, Cal.
James P. Barney, Crescent City, Cal.
Bebe Stanley, Crescent City, Cal.
Clifford Russell, Crescent City, Cal.
Chas. S. Gordon, Duncan Station.
John Milligan, Otter Point.
C. R. Goldstein, Seattle.
A. P. McClure, City.
J. W. Connor, Seattle.
Mrs. R. E. McDonald, Seattle.

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1908 Fashion Notes

Spring Suit Styles

The tailored suit is still in high favor and will dominate the Spring and Summer seasons: plain tailored models will be very much in evidence. Many designs are on the cut-away order: In coats the development tendency is towards shorter lengths. Skirts are slightly longer than last season. Fashion does not prescribe the number of gores, but the skirt must fit the hips perfectly and ripple gracefully round the feet. But a little conversation with the specialists in our dressmaking department will mean much more to you than this newspaper talk, and you will be able to look over the newest and most exclusive Parisian and London styles for yourself. We cordially invite you to do so.

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NEWS OF THE CITY

St. Mark's Church Concert

Miss Tuck has kindly consented to get up a concert for the benefit of St. Mark's church, Cloverdale, to take place in the parish room on Tuesday, March 3.

To Attend Comrade's Funeral

All members of the Y. M. C. A. and friends of the association are requested to attend the funeral of Harvey Woodhouse, from the St. Barnabas church this afternoon at 2:30.

Membership Contest Banquet

The membership contest banquet of the Y. M. C. A. will take place on Thursday night in the Y. M. C. A. rooms, and it is expected that all of the new members will be on hand as well as the losers and winners in the contest. A most enjoyable time is looked forward to.

Meeting This Evening

The residents of Esquimalt district are requested to remember the meeting in the Soldier's and Sailor's home this evening in the interests of temperance and moral reform. John Jardine, M. P. P., will occupy the chair. Mrs. Spofford will address the meeting and discuss organization. The chair will be taken at 8 o'clock p.m.

Egeria's Blue Jackets

A despatch from St. John, N. B., says: "On the C. P. R. steamer Lake Manitoba, which arrived today from Liverpool, came a detachment of 170 bluejackets, bound for service on H. M. S. Egeria, at Esquimalt, on the Pacific ocean. A home-coming detachment from the Egeria will be here to take passage on the Lake Manitoba on her return voyage. Those arriving today were forwarded by special train."

Legislative Committee

The public accounts committee met for a short time yesterday morning. But little business was transacted. A number of questions by John Oliver and Stuart Henderson with regard to the workings of the Railway Amendment Act were answered by J. B. McMilligan, surveyor of taxes, to the complete satisfaction of the questioners. The private bills committee will meet today. The argument of counsel in connection with the Victoria Waterworks Act will be heard.

Japanese Released

The \$5 Japanese left at Williamhead by the steamer Kagamaru three weeks ago on account of a case of smallpox being discovered on the Japanese liner were released yesterday. The steamer City of Nanaimo was chartered and proceeded to the quarantine station to embark the freed passengers. Capt. W. Cox, the pilot who boarded the steamer on arrival and was held in quarantine, was also released. The Japanese will be examined today by Dr. Milne, the Dominion immigration officer.

Metropolitan Church Social

A social will be given by the Ladies' Aid of the Metropolitan church in the schoolroom of the church tonight, the programme to start at 8 o'clock. The programme will include the Parritt Brothers, quartette; Robert Morrison, song; Miss Dalzell, Miss Wilkinson, song; Miss Kayton, song; Miss Foxhall, song; Jessie Longfield, song; Mrs. Switzer, song; Miss Foxhall, reading and Mr. Hughes, recitation. The Metropolitan church orchestra will render several numbers during the evening. The entertainment will be entirely free, and a cordial invitation is extended to strangers and others to attend.

Farewell Banquet to Tom Gawley

A farewell banquet will be given to Thomas Gawley by the members of the Y. M. C. A. Friday evening in the rooms of the organization. Mr. Gawley will leave in the very near future for Medicine Hat, where he has accepted a position as physical instructor of a young men's club at that place. Through the instrumentality of A. J. Brace, Mr. Gawley has been successful in locating in a most favorable field in the life work that he has mapped out for himself. Rev. A. C. Fairall, who had formed a young men's class in connection with the Methodist church of Medicine Hat had written to Mr. Brace, asking him if he could recommend a good young man for the position of physical instructor and the appointment of Mr. Gawley was the result. Mr. Brace and Mr. Fairall attended Toronto University together.

SPEAKS ON MISSIONS

Young People's Society of Centennial Hear Interesting Address From Rev. John Robson

Rev. John Robson, B. A., of Nanaimo, addressed a meeting of young people given under the auspices of the Young People's society of the Centennial church last evening in the Sunday schoolroom. The chair was occupied by the pastor, Rev. S. J. Thompson, and a large gathering listened to the address of Mr. Robson.

Reports were received from the missionary committee of the Young Peoples' society, showing that over \$50 had been subscribed toward the forward movement for missions. This means that the support of a foreign missionary in the field by the Young Peoples' association of the district of Victoria is assured.

Reports were also received from the missionary treasurer of the Sunday school stating that the congregational showing would be 50 per cent ahead of last year in missionary growth.

Rev. Mr. Robson spoke for an hour and was given an attentive hearing. He took as the topic of his address "Ten Reasons Why I Believe in and Support Foreign Missions." The chief among these he said, were: The example and command of Jesus Christ; because God has wonderfully opened the doors to foreign religion; because God has provided a sufficient number of missionaries and is now stirring the heart of Christians to provide means to send forth missionaries; because there is now a breaking down of the international barriers through commerce, education and a better understanding among nations; because non-Christian civilization is a curse to any nation, and because if we failed to Christianize the heathen, the heathen would heathenize us. As a proof of this he instanced the marvelous development and waking up of China.

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Members Give Addresses

On Sunday evening at the Grand Theatre Parker Williams, M. P. P., and John McInnis, M. P. P., addressed a large meeting on the subject, "The Interest of the Working Class."

More Dwellings

G. Sidney Carr was yesterday granted a permit to erect a dwelling on Government street to cost \$3,100, and a permit was also issued to John Gibson for a dwelling to be erected on Prior street at a cost of \$1,800.

Adams Goes to Prison

William Adams, the man who was last week sentenced by Magistrate Jay to serve two years in the penitentiary for the theft of a watch and chain, was taken to New Westminster on the Princess Victoria this morning in charge of Sergeant Walker.

Many Enjoy Fishing

The attractiveness of the Saanich Arm as a fishing resort was demonstrated on Sunday when a large number of disciples of Isaac Walton spent the day fishing. Among those who had more or less success were Captain Combes and First Engineer Bowell, of the cable ship Restorer, both of whom were the guests of L. Canisusa, of the 17-mile post, Messrs. Gowen, Lenfesty, W. Todd and R. Porter.

Irish Recital

The Irish recital to be given by Mrs. W. A. Gleason, and which was to have been held on St. Patrick's Day, March 17, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. auxiliary, will be held on March 10 in the A. O. U. W. hall. Miss Lugini, Mrs. Briggs, Arthur Gore and others will assist in the musical part of the programme. Mrs. Gleason is particularly good in the portrayal of the Irish character, and all lovers of Irish wit and humor have treat in store for them.

Sand From Wreck Bay

The return of Walter Myles to Ladysmith from Wreck Bay with some samples of gold dust washed from the black sands of Wreck Bay, where he has located eight claims, recalls the excitement which followed the previous working of the black sand at Wreck Bay nine years ago. The find was made by S. C. Binns, a prospector, and many west coast residents went to the scene and located claims. The crew of the steamer Willapa, then on the west coast, located what was known as the Willapa claim. After being worked for two or three years the sands were abandoned.

University School

Owing to the rapid increase of pupils in the university school it has been found necessary by the principals to secure a third house on Belcher Avenue, which will be used only as a boarding house, being placed under the charge of one of the present staff. A change is also to be made in the lower school, taking effect from March 1. C. E. Falkner will assist Rev. W. W. Bolton in the bookkeeping and the work of the town office, as the business has reached the stage requiring an assistant. The new teacher for the lower school will be appointed during the week.

British Israel Class

The British Israel class will meet this evening at 8 o'clock in the No. 1 hall, upstairs, A. O. U. W. building, Yates street. The special feature of the meeting will be an address by G. W. Woollett, of Victoria, entitled "Anglo-Israel Teaching. What it Is?" Members of every denomination are respectfully invited. All persons wishing to hear fair presentation of the prophetic truths in which the destiny of the British Empire is believed to be plainly set forth, and guaranteed by the exact parallels of history, from the very earliest time, should not fail to hear this able student of thirty years' experience, who will submit proofs of almost convincing nature that this is no new "ism" or "sect," but a simple return to the prophets and apostles, "Jesus Christ, Himself, being the chief corner stone."

Welshmen Will Banquet

The Welshmen of Vancouver Island intend holding a banquet on Monday next, March 2, to celebrate the anniversary of their patron saint, St. David, as well as to form a Welsh Cymroian society. The Welshmen of the mainland of British Columbia, and also across the border meet and dine together every St. David's day, and there is every reason why their countrymen on this island should not also demonstrate their patriotism and affection for the land of their fathers, beautiful Wales, and in order to make this celebration as complete and as representative as possible the promoters of this movement earnestly invite all Welshmen to send their names at once and state their intention of being present to James M. Morgan, vocal music teacher, 911 Caledonia Avenue, Victoria. "Mor a gan yw Cymru I gyd y gwyf yu erbyn y byd."

OBITUARY NOTICES

The funeral of the late Harvey Woodhouse will take place this afternoon at 2:15 o'clock from W. B. Smith's undertaking rooms to St. Barnabas' church, where Rev. E. G. Miller will conduct the funeral services. From the church the cortège will proceed to the cemetery, the services at the grave being conducted under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A.

Yesterday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock the funeral of the late Alfred H. Turner, the sailor who fell to his death from a telephone pole on Government street, took place from the Hanna Chapel. The services were conducted by Rev. G. K. B. Adams.

The tug William Jolliffe, of the B. C. Salvage company which is being operated under charter to the marine department will leave today, taking lumber for the improvement of the life-saving station at Bantleay creek, from where the motor lifeboat is in service. The William Jolliffe will also take some stores and supplies for the wireless and light stations.

Rev. Jennie French, spiritual Missionary, lectures every night this week, A.O.U.W. Hall No. 3.

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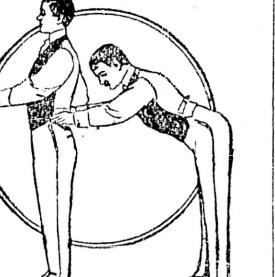
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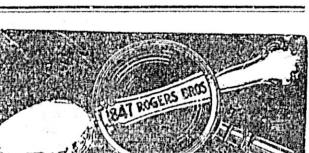
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he asked a question: "Did the con-
demned man say anything on regain-
consciousness?" "Sir," was the reply,
"he said that in Russia nothing
could be done properly, not even the
twisting of a rope." "Prove him to
the contrary," answered the Muscovite
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APPEAL FAILS IN NATAL ACT

Chief Justice Hunter is Upheld
by the Decision of Full
Court

JUDGMENT IS UNANIMOUS

Arguments of R. Cassidy, K.C.,
Do Not Convince—Other
Side Not Called Upon

British subject could not pass the test
he would be excluded. The treaty re-
served "full liberty" for the subjects
of either power to travel in the do-
minions of the other, but counsel
urged that this did not mean "com-
plete" liberty, for otherwise diseased
and insane persons could not be ex-
cluded under the Dominion immigra-
tion regulations.

Mr. Justice Irving.—The test here is
that it is a liberty that cannot be
trammelled by the act of a provincial
legislature.

Mr. Justice Morrison.—Your case is
hopeless if you get away from your
position that the Dominion act is not
an act.

After further discussion his lordship,
Mr. Justice Irving intimated that the
court would uphold the decision of the
chief justice, telling Mr. Macdonell on
the other side that they would not call
upon him, but would give their rea-
sons in the morning.

Rev. Vs. Scherf

The court then adjourned. Today
Rev. Vs. Scherf will be argued. This
is a criminal appeal before the court
in banc.

Chief Justice Hunter's Decision

The full text of the judgment of
Chief Justice Hunter, from which the
appeal heard yesterday was taken, is
given below:

Judgment in Chambers

Delivered by the Hon. Chief Justice
Hunter, at Vancouver, B. C., the 21st
day of February, 1908, in the matter of
habeas corpus proceeding re. M.
Nakane and T. Okasaka.

Inasmuch as this matter is a very
urgent one, and having regard to all
the public interests concerned, and in-
asmuch as I have come to a clear opinion
upon the only matter which it is
necessary for me to decide upon the
present application, I think I will be
acting to the advantage of all concerned
if I proceed to give judgment at
once.

Mr. Cassidy, K. C.: Your order goes
to both cases?

Court: Yes.

Mr. Cassidy: I am instructed by the
provincials to give notice of appeal to
the full court owing to the importance of
this question, and it is desirable that
to have the decision of the full court

without delay. I suppose your lordship
could make it possible to have a
sitting of the full court on this at the
earliest possible moment. I would suggest
that they sit on Monday.

Court: The full court will be sitting
on Monday.

Mr. Cassidy: Well, could we ar-
range that this rather important matter
of the crown should have prece-
dence?

Court: I do not see why not.

Mr. Cassidy: Then, in regard to the
discharge of the accused, I suppose
the accused could be discharged, or if your lordship will say that they
should be discharged on their own
recognition to come up in the event
of a judgment being reversed.

Court: No, I have no power to
make any order except an unconditional
order.

Mr. Macdonell: You have under the
act the right to re-arrest.

Court: You have the right to appear
in the full court, and they make an
order for their seizure and remand
into custody in the event of their
coming to the opposite conclusion. I
find that there is absolutely no warrant
for their detention. They are peace-
able and law-abiding subjects of the
Japanese empire, and as far as I can
see they have a good right of action
against someone, but of course that is
not before me now.

Mr. Macdonell: Then the order will
go for costs?

Mr. Cassidy, K. C.: I don't see why?

Court: Why should these people be
deprived of their costs? They have been
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The secretary's report showed that during the year 1907, amongst other
expenditures, a new steam heating plant had been installed in the hospital at a cost of \$2,300, and this heavy out-
lay in the face of the unexpected closing
down of the Victoria Lumber &
Manufacturing company's logging
camps and the Britannia smelter at
Crofton, with the resultant decrease in
the city during the winter. Mr. Harkness
did not think Lind was a
drinking man, on the contrary he ap-
peared to be quiet and sober.

Dr. George W. Hall testified to per-
forming the post mortem examination
on the body of the deceased. There
were no external marks of violence
and no evidence of poisoning. The body was somewhat decomposed and
Dr. Hall was of the opinion that Lind
had been dead from three to four
weeks before being discovered. He be-
lieved that death was due to heart
failure, that organ being enlarged and
giving evidence of having been dise-
ased. The jury took but a minute to
return a verdict that death was due to
natural causes. Dr. Stanier, deputy
coroner, presided. The jury was
composed of J. Johnson, foreman, M.
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Having acquired this, some material must be purchased to match, as nearly as possible, the foundation of the centrepiece, and a few yards of valenciennes insertion or French beading. The front of the waist and skirt may then be cut from the centrepiece, choosing, as near as possible, a complete portion of the design, and these may be set into the material with a band of insertion or beading. Whatever is left of the centrepiece may be used to trim the sleeves, which are finished with the insertion or beading, and a very handsome, hand-embroidered gown is made at little cost and almost no trouble.

The material used on each side of the design may be finely tucked, and the model for the dress may be empire or plain, to suit the taste of the mother. It is better, though, to arrange for a break in the waistline, for the two designs will be detached in any case. A pretty belt to wear with this frock is a boned girdle of Dresden ribbon or the softest ivory radium silk.

As both dresses described above are of such sheer materials, a white taffeta slip should be worn under them; but if this is not procurable, the usual fluffy skirts will look very well with the white embroidered frock; while for the serum dress a slip made of flowered dimity and finished in many ruffles would be charming.

For the very young girl no selection of material could be better for this season than a bright gingham made to wear with a guipure. The latter, by the way, will take a most important place in summer gowns for both mother and daughter, and they might as well be made now.

They must be of batiste, French malmsook or lawn, trimmed with valenciennes insertion or hand tucks and seam beading; while a few of them will be made of all-over embroidery or flowered lawns.

These little details are well arranged for at this time of year, for later every one is busy, and warm weather seems to come on so suddenly that those that have not used a little forethought are never prepared.

In regard to the Easter party dresses, there is nothing so hard for a child, be she young or old, as that painful uncertainty about an unfinished frock when the party is but a few days off. And as it is only fair to the little holiday maker to let her have all the pleasant anticipation fate allows, it is much the better plan to begin the dress several weeks ahead of time.

While some engineering work was being carried out at the Rythmone company's colliery at Bandon, W. J. one of the men, Henry Allard, slipped off the starting. He fell down the shaft, which is about 1,200 feet deep, and was instantly killed.

Appealing for compulsory reduction of 7,461 places wherein intoxicating drink may be consumed in London, and for a shortening of hours to from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., petition has been forwarded to Mr. Asquith by the London Primitive Methodist council. This is the chief

disease caused by civilization. Before people learned to shut themselves up in close rooms and to breathe impure air, their lungs were strong. Dark, crowded rooms are the breeding places of the bacteria which cause consumption. Sunshine and fresh air are their greatest enemies.

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One port, methought, alike they sought, One purpose hold wherein they fare, O bounding breeze, O rushing seas!

At last, at last, unite them there!

—A. H. Clough. (1819-51).

To that, and your own selves, be true,

But O blithe breeze! and O great seas,

Though ne'er that earliest parting past,

On your wide plains they join again,

Together lead them home at last.

To veer, how vain! On, onward strain,

Brave barks! In flight, in darkness, to,

Through winds and tides one compass guides.

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SOCCER LEAGUE TEAMS
ENTER FINAL ROUNDSPretty Fight in Senior and Ju-
nior Series—Locals Land
IntermediateFischel, 6-0, 6-1, after the latter had
disposed of T. C. Trask and Shepherd
Thomas respectively, Yale and Princeton,
8-6, 2-6, 6-1. C. Cragin defeated
the Columbia pair, Leo Leventritt and
D. W. Peiser, 5-7, 6-3, 6-4. The con-
testants will reach the semi-finals
bracket of the singles tomorrow.ELK LAKE AND CENTRAL
SCHOOL PLAY FOOTBALLClose Game Between Scholars Results
in Score of One All at Full
TimeThe game between the Central
school and the Elk Lake team Saturday
afternoon on Mr. Piercy's field
was one of the most closely contested
that has ever been played on those
grounds.The Elk Lake team arrived at 10:30
on the morning train and as the game
was not booked to take place until
2:30 the lads spent the morning on
the beach where, under the care of
their teachers, they had their sling
until the hour of battle.Shortly after the commencement of
the game the Elk Lake team scored
after some pretty combination work
among the forwards. The play after
this was very even, but before the
half ended the Central school scored
their first goal.Upon resuming play in the second
half both sides got into the game in
great shape, but the town team carried
a big power of strength in the shadow
boys. For the Lake, Noble put up a
great game, but the weak point in the
play of their team was the lack of
combination. A little less selfishness
on the forward line would have told
a different tale. Hugh Campbell played
a strong game on the fullback line,
and J. Elliot on the right half was al-
ways there to "deliver the goods."At the finish of the game, which was
very friendly and gentlemanly through-
out, the teams repaired to Mr. Pier-
cy's home and partook of a bounteous
supper. The lads took the train home
at 6 o'clock and cheered from the
couch. Much praise is due to both of
the teachers for the trouble they took
to give the boys an outing, and all re-
port having a splendid time.The results in the big Island Soccer
Football league last Saturday furnished
no surprises to the followers of the
game in any of the different series.
The games in all going to the teams
that were already the highest up in
the league standing and the teams
that have showed the most consist-
ent form throughout the season.In the senior series the local teams
are hopelessly out of the race, neither
the Y. M. C. A. or the J. B. A. re-
presentatives being able to come out
on the winning side in a single game
that they have played and each is now
credited with a big goose egg of five
straight losses and no wins. The big
struggle will be between the present
leaders in the race, the crack Nana-
lmo team and the present contenders
for that position, the Ladysmith
team, and the next meeting between
these two promises to be the best
game that has taken place on the
Island this year.The Ladysmith team have only been
defeated once and that on the ground of
Nanaalmo, and they are confident that
this setback will be more than
offset when that team visits their
town next Saturday. If Ladysmith wins,
the race for the championship will
assume a most interesting aspect,
as both of these teams will be tied,
and the Esquimalt team will have a
fighting chance of coming to the top.If, on the other hand, the Nanaalmo
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they will have the championship
clinched. The Esquimalt team at third
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ADOPTS PRINCIPAL OF SALT WATER SYSTEM

City Council Favors Idea—Details Will Be Considered at Later Date

The city council has adopted the idea of a high pressure, salt water system of fire protection for the business section of the city. After having been held over for two weeks to allow of the aldermen becoming conversant with the recommendations contained in the report of the fire warden on this matter, the question again came up for discussion at last night's meeting of the city council. It was at a late hour when the fire warden's report was taken up, and beyond a unanimous acceptance of the idea by the council nothing further was done.

The details of the scheme were not considered at length, but one or two changes in the plan of laying out the mains for the system were suggested, and in order to get an estimate of the cost of making such changes, it was decided to allow the matter to stand over for another week.

The fire warden's report recommends that a high-pressure system be laid in the business section, the cost of the system being estimated at \$5,000. The plan of laying the mains and the details concerning the distribution of the water have already been published.

Ald. Fullerton, chairman of the fire warden's committee, in introducing the matter to the council last night, stated that, as it was the intention of the council at an early date to pave several of the streets along which it was proposed to lay mains for the high-pressure system, it would be advisable to start work on the system as soon as possible, so that the mains could be laid before the paving was done, thus obviating the necessity of tearing up the newly-laid pavements.

Can Get Power.

There has been some question raised as to whether the city would be able to obtain the necessary electric power from the British Columbia Electric company with which to run the pumps of the system. He had seen A. T. Goward, local manager of the company, who informed him that there would be no difficulty in the city obtaining the 350-horse power required, and as to the question of the protection of the power line to the high-pressure plant, such line could be placed underground.

Ald. Pauline stated that he was quite in favor of the system as outlined in the report. The installation of such a system would be a move in the right direction, and the sooner the by-law to raise the necessary funds were passed the better it would be. At the present time the merchants of Victoria are paying a very high rate of insurance and a great amount of merchandise is exposed to the danger from fire. The idea of the system is not only to meet the wishes of the underwriters, but also to afford protection to the city. If the system could be installed for the figure named by the fire warden, it would be a great thing for the city, and he was sure that in two years' time the saving effected in reduced rates and added protection would fully warrant the city going to the expense of installing the plant.

Referred to Head Offices.

Ald. Hall pointed out that he had sent the details and plans of the proposed system to the head offices of those companies which are doing business in this city in order that they might consider the proposition, but no reply has as yet been received. The business section of the city is now being penalized by reason of the lack of fire protection and inadequate fire-fighting appliances. The high pressure system, together with the improvements which it is proposed to make in the domestic supply, was expected to do away, not only with the 30 per cent advance recently made in the rates covering business risks, but should also reduce the normal rates. However he thought it would be much better to allow the matter to stand over until the head offices of the various companies have been heard from.

Ald. Hall stated that he had recently been taking to an inspector from one of the head offices. This official felt that the plan as proposed by the fire warden, fell short of that recommended by Robert Howe, and he had pointed out that two of the streets where the greatest congestion prevails, Government street and Fort street, would not have mains laid upon them. Ald. Hall suggested that it would be better to have the opinion of the underwriters before starting on the scheme.

Ald. Pauline suggested that the council should pass upon the idea of the high-pressure salt water system, adopting the principal, and leave the details to a later date. The system as proposed did not probably go far enough but it could be extended.

Government Street Protection.

Ald. Mable considered that a main should be run along Government street from Herald street to Fort street. As at present proposed, Government street would have a main only as far as Johnson street. The only reason the city electrician, when preparing the plans, had not provided for the main being run to Fort street, was because to do so would cost about \$3 per foot, as the concrete on the pavement would have to be torn up and relaid.

The present plan calls for a ten-inch main from Herald to Johnson along Government. Ald. Henderson suggested making it a two-inch and later it could be extended through to Broughton to connect with the main there. As to the question of assessing for the plant, he thought that in view of the fact that the installation of the system would add to the

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fire protection in the outside sections by releasing a great part of the fire equipment for service in such sections, the whole city should pay for the plant, though it had been suggested that that part of the city served by the high-pressure system should bear the cost of installation.

It was finally decided to let the matter stand over for a week, when the electrician can give estimates of the cost of making additions to the Government street main.

WILL BE BURIED HERE

Funeral of the Late Harvey Woodhouse Will Take Place This Afternoon to Ross Bay Cemetery

The funeral of the late Harvey Woodhouse will take place this afternoon from St. Barnabas' church to Ross Bay cemetery. A. J. Brace, secretary of the local Y. M. C. A., has been in communication with the parents of the young man in England, and the secretary of the Y. M. C. A. in Vancouver, and has received instructions from the former to have the remains interred in this city.

Letters addressed to the young man in care of the Y. M. C. A. were opened after his death, and it was found that prior to his having worked at Hatley park he was a resident of Vancouver and a member of the Y. M. C. A. in that city. The young man's father is an Anglican clergyman in the old country, and the first intimation that he had that his son was not in the best of health was the announcement of his death. The late Mr. Woodhouse was the possessor of considerable property in Vancouver. The funeral service will be conducted by Rev. F. G. Miller of St. Barnabas' church, and the pall bearers will all be members of the local Y. M. C. A.

Takes Place Today

The funeral of Charles Lind, who was found dead in his cabin on Humboldt street, will take place from Hahn's chapel at 11 o'clock today to Ross Bay cemetery. Rev. T. W. Gladstone will officiate.

W. T. Stead will sacrifice his beard, that has been known a razor, in order to have Oliver Cromwell included in the list of characters in the London historical pageant.

The grasshopper jumps about 200 times its own length.

REPORT RECEIVED FROM SUPERINTENDENT

Tells of the Work at the Provincial Asylum For Insane

The provincial government has included a vote of \$60,000 in the estimates for the next financial year, for the construction of a new asylum building at Cowichan on the farm of the provincial asylum for the insane.

It is interesting to note that the medical superintendent of the institution, Dr. C. Doherty, in his annual report, which was presented to the legislature yesterday, recommends the erection of an entirely new building to accommodate 1,500 patients. He urges that the first step towards this, be the erection of two buildings for chronic cases. The report received yesterday is the 36th annual one.

The report sets forth that the number of admissions was 221 during the last year, surpassed those of any previous year. It was an increase of 71 over the year 1906. Of these 165 were males and 53 females.

The most notable result of the past year in connection with the hospital was the ratio of cases reported as recovered and also the reduced duration of treatment. This was due to the larger percentage of the recoverable class which was admitted and also to the fact that the physicians of the province were taking a saner view of the function of the asylum.

Under the heading of "causes" the classification is as follows:

	Male	Female	Total
Heredita	12	6	18
Alcoholica excess	18	1	19
Moral causes	9	9	18
Abuse of opium	1	1	2
Other causes	128	36	164
	168	53	221

During the year a total of 91 patients were discharged, an increase of 12 over the preceding year. In all 14 escapes were recorded. Of this number 11 were parole patients, almost well. All with one exception were afterwards heard from. Of the 14, 4 are in other institutions, 5 are earning their livelihood while 4 are in the United States.

Two fatal accidents occurred during the year. In each the coroner decided that no blame attached to the institution. The staff has been changed but little. Dr. William Williamson, who resigned on account of ill-health, was replaced by Dr. J. G. McKay. Thomas Cambridge was appointed clerk and Rev. Father Maitland, O.M.I., as Roman Catholic chaplain.

During the year every square rod of available land was cultivated, and the crop of fruit and vegetables resulting was sufficient to supply the institution for ten months of the year. The garden produce raised was valued at \$1,911.07, the fruit at \$983.44 and the farm produce at \$1,332.80.

Two new wards have been completed, one of which is already occupied. They provide for the accommodation of about 80 additional patients.

A large party of patients have worked continuously during the past year clearing the land at colony farm. A fine site, comprising some 20 acres, is now ready for buildings.

The per capita cost of maintenance was \$173.59, with one exception, the lowest in the history of the institution, notwithstanding the fact that contract prices have advanced 20 per cent.

In all 14 departments exist, each with a separate head. The superintendent thanks the members of the government for the fact that not even a taint of political favoritism exists to hamper the proper management.

The needs of the hospital are given at some length. The use of the therapeutic treatment will involve the installation of five additional continuous baths at a cost of \$2,500.

The most urgent need is a well equipped laboratory to conduct pathological and other investigations. The necessary apparatus at the start would cost \$1,200.

Middleton Liberals insist that Lord Dalmeny must devote more attention to politics and less to cricket or they will seek another representative.

COUNCIL ASKS POLICE COMMISSION TO ACT

Adopts Committee's Report on "Road Houses" and Alleged Violation of Regulations

The health and morals committee of the city council has been busy the past week, considering the questions referred to it at last week's meeting of the city council, the complaint of S. T. Hastings regarding the alleged ill-repute of a house on Herald street near Douglas street, and also the question of the better regulation of "roadhouses" outside the city limits. Several complaints have of late been made against the keeping open on Sundays of these road houses, and the rowdy behavior of parties, male and female, who frequent them.

Committee's Findings

At last night's meeting of the city council, the report of this committee, the chairman of which is Ald. Gleason, submitted the following report, which was adopted, and will be referred to the police commission, which will doubtless consider the findings at its next meeting:

In regard to a communication received by the city council from S. T. Hastings, and referred to this committee, calling attention to the existence of a house of ill-fame on Herald street, near Douglas street. Your committee find that before the house was occupied by the present tenants, the owner was duly cautioned that the house could not be used for improper purposes, and this caution was given to the owner more than once, in fact several times.

Your committee further request the council to ask the police commissioners to take such steps as may be possible to prevent the arrival of this undesirable class from outside ports.

In view of the detention at the present time, in the Victoria jail of a large number of prisoners from the mainland, we recommend that the attorney-general's department be requested to release the said prisoners upon expiration of sentence at the place of conviction.

Having regard to reported ill-conducted road houses in the environs of the city of Victoria we recommend that the Saanich municipality and the Oak Bay municipality be requested to take steps to regulate the sale of liquor along the same lines as the regulations of the city of Victoria. Also that representations be made to the attorney-general requesting him to more effectually enforce the observance of the Sunday closing law in the districts adjacent to the city of Victoria.

Your committee is given to understand that section 5 of the Liquor Regulation Bylaw is not being observed in some of the licensed saloon premises, and we therefore recommend that the attention of the police commissioners be directed to this, and that they be requested to see that the law is complied with.

C. E. Scane, a pioneer of Ridgeway, is dead there, aged 73.

URGES NEED OF LIFE SAVING APPLIANCES

Claims City is at Present Without Necessary Means to Save Lives

The present wholly inadequate provision for the saving of lives along the city water front, and the need of the establishment of life-saving stations and appliances in proper positions so that in cases of accident immediate aid could be given to any unfortunate who might be in danger of losing their lives in the harbor, has been brought to the attention of the city council. At last night's meeting of that body a communication from Ian St. Clair, physical instructor in the public schools, was read. Last year Mr. St. Clair brought this matter to the attention of the council, but nothing was done.

Need of Protection.

Mr. St. Clair's letter was as follows:

Gentlemen: I would respectfully request you to direct, (1) the establishment of life-saving stations on the shores of the Victoria Arm; (2) the placing of life buoys in proper positions on all wharves, water-gates and boat-houses.

Since I first attempted to obtain these appliances for public safety, there have been three fatal drowning accidents on the Victoria Arm that might have been prevented had my recommendations been carried out.

As it is, existing safeguards are quite inadequate, and indeed I am informed that the C. P. R. wharf is the only one with any sort of an equipment.

I would also respectfully draw to your council's attention the great benefit to the citizens of Victoria and the public generally if steps are taken to preserve for swimming purposes that part of the Victoria Arm commencing at the Gorge bridge, thence south for half a mile.

This reach with a look at the Gorge and proper arrangements for preserving its purity is an ideal natural swimming bath, and I venture to say that its equal does not anywhere exist on this continent or in Europe.

Preserve the Gorge.

As a result of the highly commendable policy of your honorable body and the enterprise of the B. C. Electric Railway company, there has been latterly an enormous increase in the number of persons who are attracted towards this particular spot.

It would be a pity if this resort should become polluted and cease to be the attraction it is at present not only to Victorians but to all strangers in the city.

There ought also to be proper precautions taken for their safety, in view of the large number of people who frequent the Gorge and who have no knowledge of oarsmanship, canoeing and swimming than the average holiday maker elsewhere.

IAN ST. CLAIR.

The communication was referred to the streets, bridges and sewers committee for consideration.

The residence of Frank Lucas at Aylmer was burned.

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DEBATE ON TEMPERANCE

Epworth League Members Not Unanimous in Method of Suppressing Liquor Traffic

An animated debate took place last evening in the Epworth league room of the Metropolitan Methodist church and a large number of the members and others were present. The chair was occupied by the rector, Rev. G. K. B. Adams. An unusual incident of the debate was the reversal of the judge's decision by a vote of the audience.

It was resolved "That the friend of temperance should strive for government ownership, rather than local option with a view of securing the total prohibition of the liquor traffic."

The affirmative was taken by Messrs. Finch, Gordon and Fitch, and the negative by Messrs. Harrison, Charleston and Brace. The judges were Rev. G. W. Dean and Messrs. Williams and Hardwick. The judges decided in favor of the affirmative by a score of 10 points to 7, but the audience subsequently reversed this decision by an overwhelming majority.

ELOCUTIONARY RECITAL

Rev. E. Tremayne Dunstan Delights a Large Audience at First Congregational Church

The elocutionary recital given by Rev. E. Tremayne Dunstan at the First Congregational church last night was attended by a large audience who thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Miss Reid, president of the Young Peoples' society, under whose auspices the entertainment was given, occupied the chair.

The programme consisted of the following: A selection from "That Well of English Undevelled"; Hamlet's soliloquy; the selection, "All the World's a Stage," from "As You Like It"; Wolsley's Lament; Othello's address to the Senate; selection from Tennyson's "Lord of Burleigh"; "Lady Clare"; "Lady Clara Vere de Vere"; "The Northern Farmer," a Lincolnshire dialect, "Not Understood"; an Australian piece, "How McDougall Topped the Score"; another Australian story, "A Canadian story," "The Clown's Baby," and "Sammy Gist's Little Maid."

NEW HOME FOR AGED AND INFIRM WOMEN

Committee of Management Make Application to City for Grant

The necessity for more accommodation at the Home for Aged and Infirm Women has so impressed itself upon the committee of management that it is probable that within a short time a new building will be erected. The cost of such a new building will be in the neighborhood of \$20,000 and all modern appliances will be installed. The committee of management has applied to the city for a grant of \$5,000, the request being made in the following communication from the honorary secretary-treasurer of the home, Laetitia B. Gould, read at last night's meeting of the city council, and which will be considered when the estimates for the year are considered:

Gentlemen:—In view of the fact that the building now occupied as an Aged and Infirm Women's Home is quite inadequate to accommodate those needing shelter there, the committee of management for the institution feel

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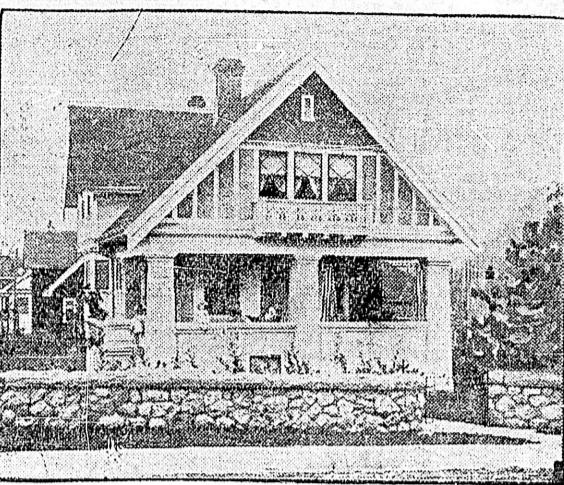
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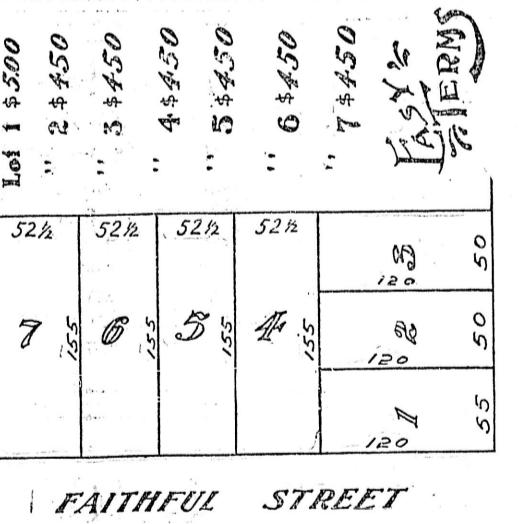
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Mainland News

Wharf Goes Down Under Heavy Load

Collapse at Vancouver City
Slip Lets Much Cement
Into Water

Vancouver, Feb. 24.—Shortly after 9 o'clock this morning the piles supporting Bostock & Abbott's shed on the city slip, Hastings Avenue, gave way and a section of the floor slid into the waters of the harbor, carrying with it 300 tons of cement.

Bostock & Abbott have recently built a big shed at the end of this city wharf, and on Friday the bulk of the cement finished discharging 1,200 tons of cement in barrels consigned to the firm from France. The cement practically filled the shed to the roof, and the weight was too much for the worm-eaten piles to bear, with the result that a section of the floor, measuring about 30 feet by 100 feet, dropped out of sight, carrying the barrels with it.

Capt. Morrison immediately took all precautions, and a barricade was erected, only those persons having business being allowed on the wharf. Naturally when the cement went down the water came up, and a wave surged around the wharf which gave the tug-boats moored there an anxious time, but luckily no damage was done to the towing fleet.

The action of the salt water will solidify the cement, and unless salvage operations are commenced immediately it will be exceedingly difficult to drive new piles through the mass of hardened cement.

NORTH FORK MINING

Large Amount of Machinery to be Installed by Company Owning Little Bertha Mine

Grand Forks, Feb. 24.—Twenty thousand dollars' worth of machinery will be installed on the property of the Little Bertha Gold Mining company before July 1, says Dr. Appleton, of Spokane, who is trustee for a controlling interest in the mine.

The property is situated about twelve miles up the North Fork of the Kettle river, on Pathfinder Mountain, the Kettle Valley Lines railway running past the property.

"We believe we have made the best investment which has fallen to the lot of Spokane men in many a day," said Dr. Appleton. "We have demonstrated through the investigations of Engineer John F. Willstrom that there are eight leads on the ground of the Little Bertha. The property consists of one hundred and twenty-six acres. The values in the ore of the Little Bertha run unusually high. Scores of assays made recently show that the ore goes from \$30 to \$200 per ton. A recent shipment to the smelter gave returns of \$55 per ton. We expect to make regular shipments after July 1."

Hoisting apparatus has been purchased in Spokane, and will be shipped to the property immediately. A tunnel will be driven to ascertain what values can be obtained on the lower levels. The machinery to be installed this spring will include a ten-stamp mill, crushers and concentrators for treating the ore on the ground.

NO HARM IN ROUGE

Vancouver Clergyman's Sermon on the Ethics of Personal Decoration

Vancouver, Feb. 14.—That there is no sin in a woman painting her face was the opinion delivered at the First Baptist church last night by Rev. P. Clifton Parker. He took for his text the story of Jezebel and John and remarked that the system of painting the face was as old as the hills. Ancient ladies were fond of it and modern ladies also observed the custom. In this instance Jezebel painted her face and attired her hair and sat in a window with the object of impressing John with her royalty, and not with any other purpose.

"As far as I am concerned," went on the clergyman, "a woman can rouge if she likes. I do not think there is any more harm in a woman painting than in dressing nicely—she does it to im-

The rule for old people is one Cascaret daily. The bowels, like other muscles, grow less active with age. They need help.

Most old people must give to the bowels some regular help, else they suffer from constipation.

The condition is perfectly natural.

It is just as natural as it is for old people to walk slowly.

For age is never so active as youth.

The muscles are less elastic.

And the bowels are muscles.

So all old people need Cascarets.

And most of them need them daily.

One might as well refuse to aid weak eyes with glasses as to neglect this gentle aid to weak bowels.

The bowels must be kept active. This is important at all ages, but never so much as at sixty.

Age is not a time for harsh physics.

Youth may occasionally whip the bowels into activity. But a lash can't be used every day.

What the bowels of the old need is a gentle and natural tonic. One that can be constantly used without harm.

And there is no matter of choice here.

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prove her appearance. Some people say it is wrong, but those people are ever on the lookout for little faults and calling them sins, but sins are not these little frailties and follies, sin is the condition of the heart. If only we could have our hearts inspired by the spirit of God, if only we could have our wills controlled by the law of God, if only we could have our hands and hearts filled with the service of God, and our souls tuned to the music of God, then our cheeks and faces would be as fresh as if they were kissed by morning dew.

"Jezebel represented the mischief a woman can do who is not inspired by a noble religion. She brought a wicked religion to Israel and through the ages Jezebel has become known as the patron of sensuality. Wherever we find a woman controlled by an impure religion and not by the principles of Christianity, she is a menace to her family, community and nation."

VETERANS AT CHURCH

Many Who Have Seen Service in War Turn Out on Sunday Parade With Militia

Vancouver, Feb. 24.—The largest and most representative semimilitary church parade in Vancouver's history took place yesterday afternoon to Wesley Methodist church. Headed by the band of the Duke of Connaught's Own Rifles and the Sixth Regiment, with the bugle band, the line included the veterans of the Crimean war and Indian mutiny, Legion of Frontiersmen, South African campaigners, Vancouver Pipe Society, Sons of England as well as representatives from other organizations.

Wesley church was far too small to accommodate the hundreds who were desirous of attending the service. The commodious edifice was filled to its fullest capacity and many had to stand up throughout the entire service. Rev. C. C. Owen, rector of Christchurch, was in charge of the service as chaplain of the regiment, and Rev. Robert Milliken delivered an eloquent address that had a special bearing on the occasion.

The regiment as well as the other organizations paraded at the drill hall at 2:30 o'clock. The line of march was lined on either side by spectators and many were the expressions of satisfaction as to the splendid showing the regiment as well as the other organizations made. In the church were members of the local branch of the Navy League, members of the Daughters of England, A. O. F., and other bodies. Mayor Bethune was also present at the service.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Evidence at Preliminary Hearing in Case of Goodwin, Accused of Cattle Stealing

Kamloops, Feb. 24.—There were some sensational developments at the preliminary hearing in the case of A. C. Goodwin, charged with stealing horses from the Douglas Lake Cattle company. Justice Pearce committed the accused for trial on seven counts. Bail was granted in the sum of \$14,000 in two sureties for \$3,500 each, and himself in a like amount.

Oliver Walker, the leading witness for the prosecution, testified that last April he rounded up twenty-eight head of horses belonging to the company. Subsequently the animals were driven to the corral at Greaves, where the brands of fourteen head were treated to an application of a lump jaw and spavin cure, which, creating a blister, raised the hide and caused the brand to come off in a few days.

In this operation he was assisted by Goodwin, who later drove the horses and others to the number of twenty-five to a field belonging to the accused. During a conversation Goodwin expressed his intention of selling the horses. Later a man named Lauder, after quarreling with Goodwin, told the witness that he had seen enough to send Goodwin to jail.

Charles Wilson, K. C., represented the crown, and A. S. MacIntyre and J. Murphy appeared for the defence.

Chinaman Drowned.

New Westminster, Feb. 24.—Tung Wu, a Chinese resident of Port Moody, was drowned in shallow water in the bay on Saturday. It is believed that he was taken with a fit, to which he was subject, and fell into the water when no one was near.

Plants Thrive on Steam

A woman famous among her friends for her thrifty house plants ascribes her success to her practice of steaming them.

"Whenever they begin to droop and look as if they needed 'toning up' they get a treatment," she said recently.

She has a row of hooks arranged on the bathroom wall over the tub, and from these she suspends the pots by strings to within two feet of the water, the plants having previously had a thorough watering. The door and windows are closed, with the exception of a narrow track left open at the top of one of the latter, and the tub is filled with water hot enough to allow a gentle steam to rise and pervade the atmosphere.

Chinese puppy dogs, he says, are not so repugnant to the educated palate as is generally supposed. In the first place, they are not ordinary dogs, but poodles specially bred for human consumption and fed on cream and rice. Cooked by an expert they taste like very delicate rabbit.

Porcupine, despite its fretful quills, is another animal which has yielded a meal to Lieut.-Colonel Newnham-Davis. Here again one must know how to cook it to appreciate it.

It is not plucked like a goose, but rolled in clay and baked over a good fire. Then when the clay is broken the porcupine is easily unquilled and ready for eating. "It tasted like a delicious jelly," says the Lieutenant-Colonel.

Even the elephant, with its tough and uncompromising exterior, is quite edible in parts. Elephant's foot, surely not the tenderest part, is very good eating, we are told.

The very idea of the caudal appendage of the kangaroo, with its exceptional muscular development is sufficient to cause discomfort to the dyspeptic, but the proof of the pudding is in the eating. Kangaroo tail can be treated that but for its difference in taste it might easily be mistaken for ox tail soup.

Other dishes which Lieut.-Colonel Newnham-Davis has sampled include iguana (a lizard), snails, sea slugs, shark's fins and cuttle fish. The only dish he has ever refused was monkey.

The London teamsters have won their strike to keep their pay at \$4 per day and their pay has been increased from \$1.25 to \$1.50.

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PRIEST SHOT DOWN IN DENVER CHURCH

Anarchist's Crime Without a Parallel in the Church's History

Denver, Feb. 24.—Father Leo Heinrich was shot and killed when administering the sacrament at an early mass in St. Elizabeth's Catholic church, Eleventh and Curtis streets, this city, at 6 o'clock yesterday morning. Kneeling at the altar rail between two women, Giuseppe Allo pressed the muzzle of a revolver against the body of the priest, after receiving from him the consecrated wafer, and shot the man of God through the heart. Exclaiming, "My God, my God!" Father Leo fell prone in front of the altar and died without uttering another word.

With an inarticulate scream of triumph, which the communicants describe as the yell of a demon, the assassin sprang from the aisle and, waving the smoking gun about his head, dashed to the church door. For a moment the 100 or more people in the church were dazed. Then a woman shrieked and the congregation became panic-stricken. Some women fainted and several became hysterical. Several men rushed to the aid of the priest, and others started in pursuit of the murderer. Among the latter was Patrolman Daniel Crelin, who overtook the fleeing Italian on the church steps. Allo attempted to shoot the policeman and was foiled and overpowered only after a desperate fight in which several men had come to the assistance of the officer.

The murderer was hurriedly removed to the city jail, and as threats of summary justice were made by many men in the crowd which quickly gathered in front of the church, Chief of Police McHale Delaney called the reserve force of patrolmen, who were kept on guard day and night.

In the twenty-century history of the Catholic church, members of its priesthood in this city declare, there is no record of a tragedy to parallel that of the killing of Father Leo Heinrich at the altar of St. Elizabeth's church yesterday morning. This crime, they say, will stand out as one of the most fearful in the criminal records, and its perpetration may result in the canonization of Father Leo as a martyr of the church, in whose service he fell while performing his duties.

Father Eusebius, as pastor of St. Elizabeth's, received a telegram last night from the father provincial in Paterson, N. J., instructing him to forward the body of Father Leo to that city. Father Wm. O'Ryan, pastor of St. Leo's, will deliver an oration on Father Leo, and a sermon against anarchy and socialism. The funeral services will be attended by five thousand members of the Knights of Columbus, and the entire body of the Knights of St. John and other Catholic aggregations.

The murderer talked freely in jail concerning his florid act. For his crime, he declared he had no regret. He said he is a native of Sicily, is a shoemaker, and is 56 years old. He became a socialist and an anarchist 20 years ago. He came to America two years ago, and has since been teaching anarchy, working but little at his trade.

Colorado Springs, Colo., Feb. 24.—Giuseppe Allo, the anarchist who shot and killed Father Leo Heinrich at Denver yesterday, and who is being held in jail here, says that he was moved to kill the priest by the ringing of the church bells, which reminded him of his home in Sicily, which, he said, was wrested from him by the Orange order.

South African Veterans.

New Westminster, Feb. 24.—A meeting of the South African campaigners of this city was held Saturday night, when it was decided to form a local association here with the consent of the parent association in Vancouver.

Burnaby's New Clerk.

Vancouver, Feb. 24.—Burnaby council met on February 15. Seventy-one applications were received for the combined office of clerk, assessor and collector. Six of the candidates were selected for an interview with the council. Ultimately C. T. Saunders, of 534 Campbell avenue, Vancouver, was elected to fill the vacancy, his duties to commence March 1.

Family's Narrow Escape.

Golden, B.C., Feb. 24.—About 3 o'clock yesterday morning the residence of W. J. Wright, situated some six miles south of this city, was completely destroyed by fire. Mr. Wright and his family barely escaped with their lives. The cause of the fire is not yet known. The damage is about \$2,500 with but little insurance on the property.

A Gourmet's Guide.

Lieut.-Colonel Newnham-Davis, assistant editor of the Sporting Times, who is preparing a new edition of "The Gourmet's Guide to Europe," is a recognized authority on dishes.

In his searchings for fresh entertainment for his epicurean palate he has exhausted the resources of the epicurean chef. He has not confined himself to the menus of Europe. He has a varied taste which will permit him to enjoy, or at least sample, whatever dish comes his way. During his travels round the world strange foods have found their way into his mouth, and in many cases they have proved more succulent delicacies than their names would lead one to believe.

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AMERICAN'S CELEBRATE

Washington's Birthday Honored by Colony in Vancouver—Successful Entertainment

Vancouver, Feb. 24.—Vancouver's American colony, aided by quite a number of Canadians, enjoyed a thoroughly good time Saturday night at the smoke-tak entertainment held at the recently organized American club's temporary quarters in the Australasian club rooms in honor of the birthday of George Washington.

That there was a liberal response to the invitations to the affair than even the promoters had anticipated was evident from the fact that every seat in the lounging-room, the scene of the main festivities, was occupied early in the evening, the sides and spare corners of the room being occupied by late comers, standing, while not a few were compelled to distribute themselves through the adjoining halls and rooms.

Col. L. Edwin Dudley, American consul, opened the programme with a neat speech on behalf of the American club, in which he thanked the Australasians for their co-operation and their courtesy in throwing open their doors to him and his fellows, following this by a few remarks on the occasion at hand, eulogizing Washington and the other great men of American history.

J. J. Miller, president of the Australasian club, replying for his organization, cleverly turned Col. Dudley's spoken appreciation of the Australasians' courtesy by declaring that although it was true that the club had thrown open its doors to the newly-organized band of fellow townsmen, "you Americans, with your well-known and characteristic desire for independence, refused to come in unless you paid your way, so now you have as much right here as we have ourselves." He then proceeded to pay a tribute to Washington, Lincoln and other presidents of the United States, arousing great applause by adding that no worthier occupant had ever graced the chair than the present head of the American nation. He also provoked prolonged cheers when he declared that with the British and American peoples continuing their present friendly relations, they unquestionably hold the peace of the world in the hollow of their hands.

Following the speeches there was a more or less informal musical programme.

The evening was concluded with an old-fashioned New England dinner of Boston baked beans, brown bread, doughnuts, cheese, coffee, etc.

Enlarging Car Shops.

New Westminster, Feb. 24.—The British Columbia Electric Railway company is calling for tenders for the erection of a large addition to the carshops in this city which will double the capacity of the works.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

STOCKS NEGLECTED AND PRICES STEADY

Speculators Confine Their Attention to Few Lines of Securities

New York, Feb. 24.—There was hardly enough animation in the stock market today to cause any definite current in the price movement. Only half a dozen stocks were traded in for more than a few hundred shares. Contending parties among the room traders made the varying fluctuations in these few stocks. As for general outside interest, the situation was one of profound neglect. The speculative attitude evidently is one of waiting for new developments. The covering up of shorts in the market preliminary to last week's holiday seemed to exhaust the outstanding open accounts in the market. Efforts were made to extend the upward movement from this cause today.

The effort was confined to the copers, Reading and the Pacifics. The movement in the copers was hampered by a renewed decline in the price of copper warrants in the London market by discouraging reports from the trade as to accumulation of stocks, and continued sluggishness of demand. There were persistent reports of instability in the iron market, although explanations were offered on behalf of the principal concerns that cutting of prices was confined to small interests and to an amount of scale that made a negligible quantity.

The U. S. Steel stocks, however, were somewhat affected by these reports, and their depression interrupted the slow advance in other stocks.

Railroad traffic officials had little change in conditions to report. Slight increases in movement of merchandise in less than carload lots were contrasted with a falling off in the grain movement, the decline in prices of grain leading apparently to lessened offerings.

A sharp rebound in wheat also was a result of this showing. Snowstorms, while interrupting traffic to some extent, were considered beneficial to wheat crop prospects by providing a covering for the winter sown grain. There were cabled reports of the presence in foreign centres of agents seeking to find a market for intended new American corporation securities. Arbitrage brokers for foreign commission houses, however, sold stocks on balance in this market. Sterling exchange rates, nevertheless, receded considerably below last week's level. The sub-treasury has taken up some large sums from the money market in the new banking week, and the explanation is that the return of government deposits has been made by some of the banks voluntarily, on account of the cheapness of money at the present time. New York banks are also making payments to the sub-treasury on behalf of interior correspondents for the retirement of circulation.

Bonds were heavy and dull. Total sales per value, \$2,030,000. U. S. bonds were unchanged on call.

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New York, Feb. 24, 1903.

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Chicago, Feb. 24, 1903.

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July 82 1/2 90 89 1/4 89 1/4
Corn No. 2—
May 60 5/8 60 7/8 60 1/4 60 1/4
July 58 5/8 58 7/8 58 1/4 58 1/4
Oats No. 2—
May 50 1/4 50 1/2 50 1/4 50 1/4
July 42 1/2 42 1/2 42 1/2 42 1/2
Pork—
May 11 1/2 11 1/2 11 1/2 11 1/2
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Turnips, per lb 15

Apples, local, per lb 15

Apples, local, per sack 2.00 to 2.50

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TO LOAN MONEY TO SMELTING COMPANY

Government Assists Company Which is Erecting Electric Smelter Works

A bill to authorize the loan of \$10,000 to the Canada Zinc company, of Nelson, B. C., was brought down by special message yesterday, introduced and given its first reading by the legislature.

The bill authorizes the loan to be secured by mortgage upon real and personal property and plant of the company. The latter has commenced the erection of a number of buildings and the money is required to carry on the work. The company has acquired the Dominion rights to the famous Snyder process of electric smelting, and the inception of the work is thought to be of great advantage to the province.

The bill reads as follows:

"Whereas the Canada Zinc company, Ltd., is a company incorporated under the laws of British Columbia, with head office at the city of Nelson, in the province of British Columbia; and

"Whereas the said company was organized for the purpose of treating the lead-zinc ores of the Kootenay districts, and has acquired, free from all royalties, the exclusive rights for the Dominion of Canada to use the Snyder patented method of electric smelting; and

"Whereas the said company has under construction an electric smelting plant at the said city of Nelson, and for funds to complete the same has applied to the government of British Columbia for a loan of ten thousand dollars, repayable in two years, to be secured by a first charge or mortgage on all the real and personal property and plant of the said company; and

"Whereas it appears that the completion and operation of reduction works profitably to treat mixed lead and zinc ores would be of great benefit to the mining interests of the Kootenay districts;

"Therefore, his majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the legislative assembly of the province of British Columbia, enacts as follows:

"1. The Lieutenant-governor in council may advance, by way of loan, to the Canada Zinc company, Ltd., a sum of money not exceeding ten thousand dollars, repayable in two years, from the date the money is advanced to the said company, together with interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum, payable yearly.

"2. In respect of all moneys advanced to the said company under this act, the minister of mines, on behalf of the province, shall have a first lien or charge upon all the real and personal property and plant of the said company, with the right at all times to inspect the condition of such security, and if the said company shall at any time make default in payment of the principal or interest or any portion thereof, whenever the same may accrue, it shall be lawful for the minister of mines to take possession of and sell all or any of such real or personal property and plant, either together or in parcels, and to buy in or rescind any contract for sale and to resell, and to receive the moneys to arise from any such sale or sales; and in the first place to apply the same in payment of the costs of and incident to such sale or sales; in the next place, in payment to the government of the principal sum so far as may be paid by the mortgage; and, lastly, to pay the balance, if any, to the said company."

JOHN OLIVER
UPON BUDGET

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Reached Their Limit

The truth, however, was that the government had reached the limit of their resources, and this was practically admitted by the finance minister, who was in his opinion the most capable of all the ministers.

Several hundred thousand acres of land suitable for settlement existed in the northern part of this island, but the majority of some 200,000 acres which had been allotted had passed into the hands of speculators. Favortism was shown by the government in the location of public lands, and the pamphlets issued for the information of intending settlers were filled with misleading information.

He defied the hon. the finance minister to show one place where the settler could make himself a home.

Agreeing out of some 60,000 acres in Bulkley valley some 60,000 acres or fully two-thirds had been secured by men who were speculators pure and simple, and it was moreover, extremely difficult to get the figures from the department.

Hon. Mr. McBride: The returns can be got in the ordinary way. The chief commissioner has nothing at all to hide. The information which ought to be furnished by this department is given the usual publicity. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Oliver: The fact is that the hon. gentleman does not himself know how many acres of land were allotted a couple of years ago.

Hon. Mr. McBride: Let the hon. member ask the usual question, and I am quite satisfied that he will immediately get his answer.

Mr. Oliver: I have done that already, and I was told that the information required could not be got within a reasonable time.

Hon. Mr. McBride: That may easily be the case from the departmental standpoint, but the records are there, and the hon. gentleman well knows that all the information is quite easily gettable. (Applause.)

Mr. Oliver dared the premier to make this information public, and maintained that a large proportion of the land which was pre-empted in this province was pre-empted by speculators. He also urged the appointment of an inspector of homesteads, in pursuance of the policy of the Dominion government in the Northwest Territories.

At this point, it being 5:15 o'clock, Hon. Mr. McBride asked whether the member for Delta expected to close his observations in any brief space of time, and suggested an adjournment.

Mr. Oliver: I think I can finish in ten minutes.

Hon. Mr. McBride: Oh, you are good for half an hour yet! (Some laughter.)

Mr. Oliver then moved the adjournment of the debate.

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The bill was read the first time.

Time is Extended
Mr. McPhillips, K. C., the chairman, presented the ninth report of the private bills committee, asking for an extension of time for reporting on private bills until the 28th inst.

Report of Asylum

Hon. Dr. Young presented the annual report of Dr. C. Doherty, medical superintendent of the asylum for the insane at New Westminster.

Mr. Oliver's Questions

Mr. Oliver asked the chief commissioner of lands and works the following questions: (1) Have any seizures been made of timber logs or piles in the elector district of Delta under the provisions of the Land act? (2) If so, whose timber was so seized? (3) On what date was the seizure made? (4) What description and amount of timber was so seized? (5) What settlement, if any, was made in each case, and date of settlement? (6) Are there any cases remaining unsettled?

Hon. Mr. Fulton replied as follows: (1) Yes. (2) Sullivan-Hill Logging company. (3) In the month of June, 1907. (4) Piles. About 16,000 linear feet. (5) To compel payment of revenue. (6) Revenue paid 20th July, 1907, and piles released. (7) No.

Accidents at Granby

Mr. McInnis asked the minister of mines the following questions: (1) How many accidents were reported from the Granby mines during the years 1905, 1906 and 1907, respectively? (2) Names of persons injured and nature of injuries in each case.

Hon. Mr. McBride replied as follows: (1) Five in 1905; six in 1906; four in 1907. (2) Vernon Hill, fatal; John Rundquist, crushed right knee and lower third of thigh, penetrating wound back of left thigh, amputation right leg above knee; Norman McRitchie, fatal; Frank Loster, fatal; James McGregor, fatal; James Peacock, lacerated wound scrotum, slight concussion of brain, ninth and tenth ribs fractured, rupture right lung; John Holmes, fatal; Charles Hardberg, fatal; J. Cavanaugh, mashed two fingers on left hand; Ronald McInnes, fatal; Sam Jones, rupture muscles left calf, died from gangrene; E. Brage, fractured both bones right leg three inches above ankle; Joseph Quinn, fractured right fibula junction middle and lower third, sprained ankle; Charles Williamson, left ankle broken in several places, bone in left knee bruised; Mike Spodirky, fatal.

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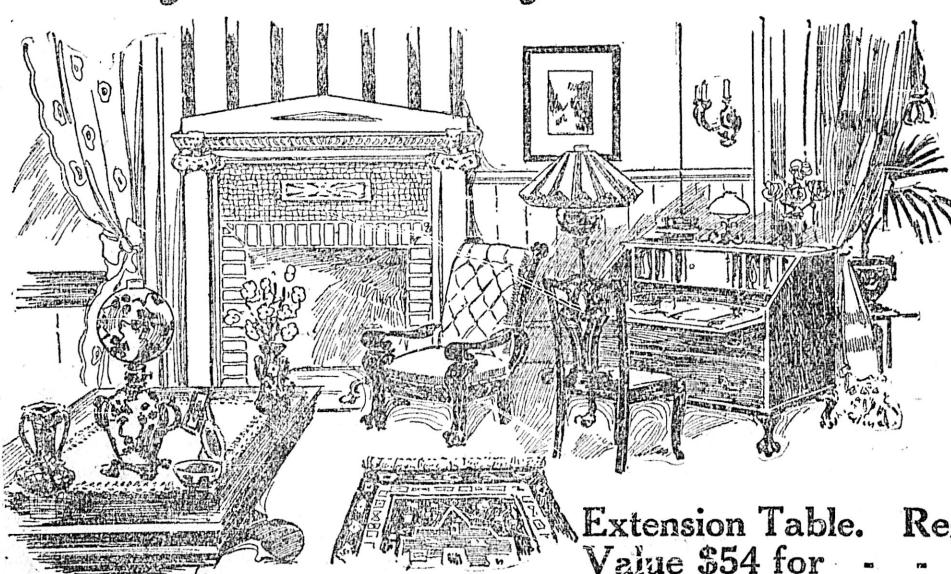
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